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BRITAIN CONDEMNS USE OF GAS

NO HELP NEAR SINKING VESSEL

No Response To
Call for Aid
OUTBOUND
FROM H. K.

Since 4.45 a.m. to-day the Tientsin-registered steamer Pei An, bound from Hongkong to Port Redon, has been calling for immediate assistance from a position approximately 420 miles from this port. She reports herself in need of immediate aid.

It is learned here that Naval authorities have been endeavouring to locate vessels in the vicinity of the Pei An in order to check on possible rescue movements. But thus far no ship has answered the distress signals and, as far as local authorities are aware, no vessel is going to her help.

The vessel carries a crew of Japanese, her master being Captain I. Yamaki. Her tonnage is 2,600. It is not known how many passengers she carries, although when she arrived here from Port Arthur, via Tsingtau, she had five travellers aboard. She cleared from Hongkong on March 25. She is under charter to the M.B.K.

Manila Report

Manila, Mar. 31.
The Chinese steamer Pei An, ashore on Eakong Island, 206 miles North and 107.43 degrees East, sent out an SOS message this morning, stating she was sinking and wanting help immediately.—Reuter.

Cannot Send Help

Hongkong is unable to despatch a warship to the aid of the distressed Pei An, it is explained, because to reach her it would be necessary to run through the dangerous Hainan Strait at night. A destroyer leaving here this morning could not reach the Strait until to-night.

The Naval authorities learn that the wireless station at Solotor has been replying the Pei An's distress signals since before 6 a.m. to-day without getting a single reply.

No Further Word

The Pei An's SOS was repeated at 6.05 a.m., since when no word has been heard from her.

VICEROY MAY MEET GANDHI

PAPER SAYS "YES?"
GOVERNMENT "NO."

New Delhi, March 30.
An interview has been arranged between the Marquis of Linlithgow, the new Viceroy, and Mahatma Gandhi when the former reaches India, stated the Hindustan Times in its issue of Sunday.

This report however, has been officially denied, it being stated that no interview has been arranged on the instructions of Lord Halifax, with or without the consent of the Prime Minister.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

EXPECTANCY OF LIFE

ONLY 23 YEARS IN
INDIA

London, Mar. 30.
Dr. Somerskill, public health expert, addressing the India League in London, said that the expectancy of life in India was 23 years, compared with 55 in England.
He added that 80 per cent. of the population were under-nourished or diseased, while the infant mortality rate is 230 per thousand, compared with 60 in Britain.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

ITALIAN LAPSE ALLEGED

LORD CECIL ASKS
FOR ACTION

GOVERNMENT WAITS FOR
LEAGUE REPORT

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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London, March 30.

The allegations that the Italian troops invading Ethiopia were using poison gas in fighting the natives were drawn to the attention of the House of Lords today, Lord Cecil asking what steps the Government proposed to take if the charges were proved true.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, supporting Lord Cecil in a demand for action of some sort, drew attention to the effect the use of poison gas would have upon other races in Africa, who were carefully watching the conduct of both sides in the Italo-Ethiopian war.

Lord Halifax, replying for the Government, said he only wished he could give assurance that the reports were unfounded. But he had only meagre information.

He agreed with everything that had been said, he declared, with regard to the gravity of the reports, including the viewpoint that there would be inevitable repercussions upon the whole of the relations between white and coloured races if the Italians were using poison gas in Ethiopia.

Referred To Italy

Lord Halifax pointed out that the Committee of Thirteen of the League of Nations, which was really steering that body in the matter of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, had referred the Ethiopian Government's complaint about the use of poison gas to the Italian Government.

If the reports were true it would be for the Committee to recommend action. The British Government, he added, could only act collectively with other Governments members of the League, but if the reports about the use of gas were true it would be the duty and desire of the British Government that the country should be represented on the League body before which the matter might come. There Britain would use her utmost efforts to secure practical condemnation of so great an outrage of civilisation.—Reuter Special.

Public Shocked

London, March 30.
Reports in newspapers from Abyssinia of bombing of Harar and other towns by Italian aeroplanes, and of the Italian use of mustard gas have profoundly shocked public opinion. The feeling which has been aroused is apparent in the correspondence columns of the newspapers and found expression to-day in both Houses of Parliament.

In the Lords, a debate on the subject was raised by Lord Cecil and in the Commons questions were addressed to the Foreign Secretary. In reply, Mr. Eden referred to the official protests addressed by the Ethiopian Government to the League and to the British Government, as a signatory of the Geneva Convention No. 4, of October 18, 1907, and of the Geneva Protocol of July 17, 1925, and formally that he understood, in conformity with the decision of the League Committee of Thirteen on March 23, with which the British representative was associated, the complaints had been passed on to the Italian Government with a reminder of the provisions of the Geneva Protocol.

Against Humanity

In the House of Lords this evening, Viscount Cecil called attention to the allegations of the use of poison gas by the Italian forces in Abyssinia, and asked whether the Government had information if these charges of the breach by the Italian Government of yet another treaty obligation were well founded, and, if so, what steps they proposed to take.
The Archbishop of Canterbury said the methods used in Abyssinian war (Continued on Page 5.)

BRITAIN LOSES AIR COMMERCE

SUSTAINS BLOW
TO PRESTIGE

EMPIRE LINES
ATTACKED

London, Mar. 30.

The British Empire's air services were criticised in the House of Commons to-day on the second reading of the Air Navigation Bill, moved by Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air. This bill, among other things, provides for increased subsidies to civil air transport.

At present the Government subsidy is £1,000,000 annually. The Bill proposes that this be increased to £1,500,000 as from December 31, 1940, the subsidy to remain at this level until December 31, 1953.

Lieut.-Col. J. T. C. Moore-Drabson, moving rejection of the Bill, declared the Empire civil aviation service was "nothing to write home about." Mrs. Mavis Tate, seconding the rejection, pointed out that Australia intended to take over the service from Singapore to Sydney, at present operated by British planes, with American machines. Pan-American Airways was going to run a service to Australia, she declared.

"It is imperative for our interests in China and the Far East generally that we run a service from Singapore to Hongkong and to Shanghai. But the Pan-American Airways, in conjunction with the Deutsche-Lufthansa, are capturing the trade there."
It is believed, said Mrs. Tate, that the latter, a German line, intends to extend its service from China to India, Persia, and thence to Europe.—Reuter.

SOFIA CUP SEQUEL

Sofia, Mar. 30.
Colonel Koleff, former Minister of Interior, and M. Kelenderoff have been arrested in Sofia for complicity in the coup d'etat of April, but have been recommended to mercy.—Reuter Special.

Night Attacks Check Italians



Viscount Cecil, who is asking for action to be taken as a result of the report that the Italians are using poison gas in Ethiopia.

DOUBLING SWEDISH AIR FORCE

SWISS VOTE BIG
DEFENCE BILL

(Special to "Telegraph")

Stockholm, Mar. 30.

The Government has presented proposals for the reinforcement and modernisation of national defences. The annual Air Force grant is increased, from 11,000,000 crowns to twenty-one millions, and a fleet of light bombers and medium bombers will be established.

The Navy will be maintained at full strength, existing capital ships will be modernised, and new destroyers and submarines will be constructed.

The Army is to be provided with more heavy and machine-guns.—Reuter Special.

SWISS ESTIMATES

Berne, Mar. 30.
The Federal Council has approved in principle estimates totalling 235,000,000 Swiss francs, submitted by the Military Department for national defence.—Reuter Special.

SAYS FRENCH FINANCES IN GOOD STATE

NO DEVALUATION
AND
NO EMBARGO

Paris, Mar. 30.

Mr. Marcel Regnier, the French Finance Minister, besides denying the rumour that the Government intends to consider devaluation, has now denied the intention of imposing forced conversion of rents or an embargo on gold exports. Enumerating the comforting facts which justify the maintenance of French credit, M. Regnier said the budget had been rendered more healthy by substantial economies. The recent vote of 200,000,000 francs expenditure had not disturbed the balance.

He went on enumerating, praising the punctual treasury, one of the most formidable gold reserves in the world and pointing to the fact that the economic activity was on the road to recovery, particularly in the direction of transportation. There had been an increased business turn-over and a rise in price and volume of agricultural products.—Reuter.

WOULD END PACT

New Delhi, Mar. 30.
The Legislative Assembly has passed a resolution, by 70 votes to 65, urging the Government to give notice of its desire to terminate the Ottawa agreement. The motion was introduced by the Congress Party.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

HARD FIGHTING IN SOUTH

ATTACKS IN NORTH
UNRESISTED

BADOGGIO PRAISES HIS
MEN'S ENDURANCE

Addis Ababa, Mar. 30.

There is heavy fighting south of Daggahbur between General Graziani's advance guards and Ras Nassibou's outposts and casualties have mounted on both sides until they have reached the numbers of a major engagement. Over 1,000 have been killed or wounded on both sides.

Fighting has been in progress for many days. But it was during the last two days that the Italians brought heavy pressure to bear. They pressed forward twenty-five miles to a point near Warandab, but Ethiopian night attacks forced them to retreat to their former positions.—Reuter.

Badoglio Reports

Rome, Mar. 30.
In the course of an unusually long report Marshal Pietro Badoglio, the Italian Commander-in-Chief in East Africa, states that white troops, with Eritrean, yesterday occupied Dugreah, capital of Wogera district, and an important market town of northern Ethiopia.

After negotiating an almost inaccessible pass, the Lemaicmo, a journey accompanied by incredible difficulties, the troops swept down upon the town.

The Third Army Corps moved from Fenarora and marched along the rivers Samre and Tzallare, until it came to Sakota, which it occupied yesterday after an extremely difficult march. Sakota, says the report, will be the base for a subsequent advance into the Wag region, of which it is town is the capital, and an important centre of routes leading to Dessiyo, Addis Ababa and Lake Tana.

Praises Troops

Marshal Badoglio specially praises the 4,000 soldiers who, besides carrying their arms and equipment, bore sixty tons of food supplies on their shoulders, travelling twenty-five miles in one day.

The Marshal's communique makes brief reference to thirty aeroplanes of the Squalid Air Force which bombed Harar yesterday.

He says these attacks hit military and other well-known objectives with visible effect.—Reuter.

S.S. Queen Mary Logs 29 Knots

AND STILL HAS MUCH
RESERVE POWER

Southampton, March 30.

It is officially revealed that the new Cunard-White Star liner, Queen Mary, on her voyage from the Clyde to Southampton, attained a speed of 29 knots.

This speed was only maintained for a short time, owing to the now condition of the engines, but the liner had plenty of power in reserve, and it is expected that she will attain a much greater speed when fully extended.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

FAMOUS SINGER PASSES

CONCHITA SUPERVIA
DEAD IN LONDON

BLOOMED IN
OPERA

London, Mar. 30.

The death has occurred of the great coloratura contralto singer, Conchita Supervia, in a London nursing home, after giving birth to a stillborn child.—Reuter Special.

Conchita Supervia was born in Spain and when quite a young girl was distinguished among students of singing by the remarkable range of her voice and the ease with which she rendered both notes and rhythm. As she developed, she showed also the gifts of an actress and soon achieved successes in opera. Going to Milan, she was welcomed by that highly critical musical centre, as a most promising probationer for the operatic stage.

In Paris and Brussels she afterwards achieved triumphs, it being declared that her remarkable voice was almost alone in being able to sing some of Rossini's music as he originally intended it to be sung. She was first heard in England in March, 1930, when she sang with sensational success at a concert, chiefly of Spanish music broadcast from the Queen's Hall, London.

HUGE SUCCESS
In her rendering of the Rondo from Rossini's "La Cenerentola", in "Una voce poco fa" and in the cavatina "The Barber of Seville", a third or so lower than usual, she gave her British audience something delightfully new.

In April, 1931, she re-appeared in London, giving a recital at the Albert Hall with great success. Always one of the best dressed singers, she wore a succession of Spanish costumes in keeping with various regional airs which she rendered charmingly. Her role of Carmen at the theatre's opening under new management. The singer was married to a Spanish actor, Mr. Littlehampton, England-Ren Rubenstein, a wealthy London timber merchant.



Richard Bruno Hauptmann, who, unless a last-minute reprieve is granted, will be electrocuted at 8 o'clock to-night (New Jersey time) for the murder of the Lindbergh baby.

Clemency Appeal Refused

Hauptmann Will
Die To-Day

New York, Mar. 30.

The Court of Pardons to-day rejected the appeal of Richard Bruno Hauptmann, condemned as the kidnapper and murderer of the Lindbergh baby. Hauptmann's last hope of succour from the Courts of the land vanished when this august body refused his plea for clemency after considering the case for six hours.

Hauptmann's only remaining hope in Governor Harold Hoffman of New Jersey. From him, at the last minute, may come a reprieve. But as far as the law is concerned, Hauptmann is doomed. He dies to-morrow at 8 p.m.—Reuter.

AWAITS HIS SUMMONS

Trenton, Mar. 30.

Bruno Hauptmann, awaiting the war's summons to the death chamber to-morrow night, alone in his cell, will not be the only man to die in the prison here to-morrow. In another cell in the same corridor, close to the room in which the electric chair awaits them, Charles Zied, a gangster, also waits in dread.

To-day, the prison lights suddenly dimmed, and the condemned men knew what that meant. The prison officials were testing the electric chair. The power utilised to pass the necessary current through it dims the lights in prison and town.

Arrangements have been made with an undertaker to remove the gangster's body. But no-one has been asked to attend to Hauptmann's. His wife, Anna, is expected to make a last visit to him this afternoon.

The executioner, Robert Elliot, has been notified that two tasks await him to-night.—United Press.

DRILL FOR OIL IN ENGLAND

FIRST WELL WILL BE
MILE DEEP

London, March 30.

Drilling for oil in England opened to-day, when Mrs. Crookshank, wife of the Secretary for Mines, started machinery on the slopes of Portland, near Portsmouth.



DON'T STAY
IN THE
SHADOWS

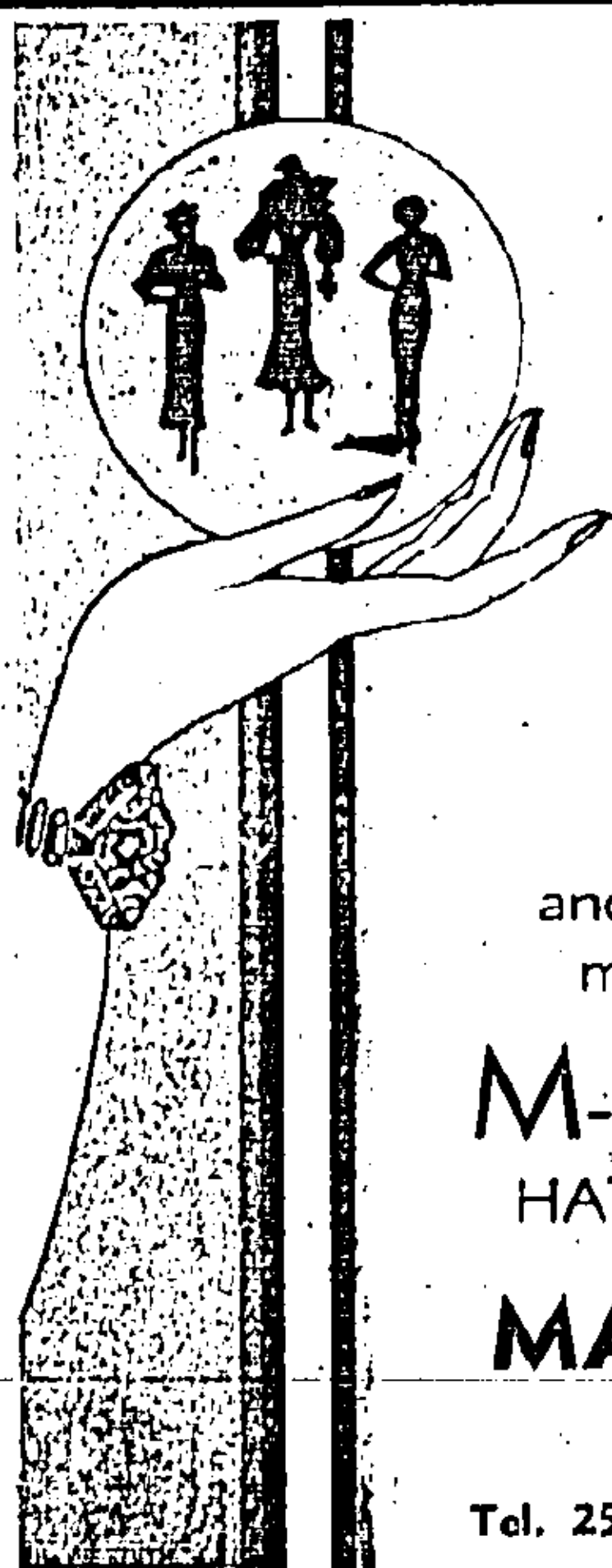
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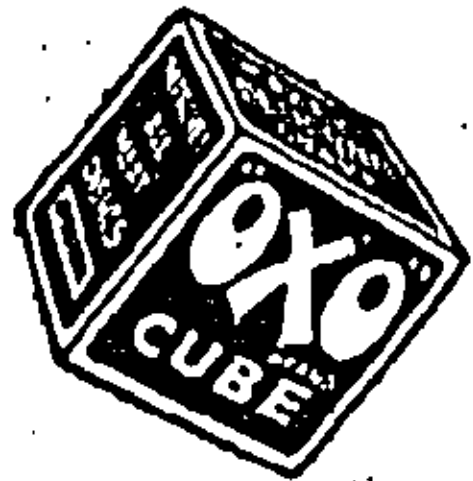
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"ONE-WAY" GLASS: FIELD FOR NEW AMERICAN INVENTION BROADENS

GLASS THAT REMOVES GLARE FROM HEADLIGHTS

Makes Three Dimensional Movies Possible And Detects Weak Steel

New York, Mar. 25. Glass which removes the glare from motor-car headlights, makes life-like three-dimensional movies available and gives work, was demonstrated for the first time here to-day before a group of natural scientists at the Waldorf-Astoria. The new glass, in addition to other manifold uses, also enables engineers to detect weaknesses in steel construction work.

Just as the telescope and microscope aided human eyes in extending their limits of far and near vision, so the glass, invented by Edwin H. Land, of Boston, will extend ordinary vision, and by removing glare and unnecessary light rays which before ordinary sight, give exceptionally clear-eye pictures of ordinary things.

According to theory, light travels in waves like ripples from a stone cast into a mill-pond.

Smooths Out Ripples

Instead of water, its medium is the atmosphere and every dust particle, every gaseous molecule is a "stone in the mill-pond" causing these light waves to travel helter skelter every which way. Polaroid, the new glass, comb out these waves or polarizes them, making them all travel in the same way as though they were vehicles on a one-way multi-lane highway.

To all outward appearances it is a clear, colourless glass, and light which has passed through polaroid looks like ordinary light.

Traffic experts however, learned differently, and many predicted it would only be a comparatively short time before motor car headlights and windshields were equipped with this new glass.

Cut Out All Glare

A pair of blinding headlights was set up at each end of the demonstration room. Viewed through an ordinary glass windshield the glare was accentuated if anything. Then polaroid windshields were substituted and the brilliant lights seemed almost out, although objects between the two sets of lights were brilliantly illuminated.

NAVAL OFFICER'S HONEYMOON IN HONGKONG



Paymaster Commander G. A. Bowen, Royal Navy, British Resident Naval Officer at Shanghai and Mrs. Bowen, shortly after their wedding in Shanghai last week. Owing to the recent illness of the bridegroom, only a few personal friends were present at the ceremony. Rev. Father MacDonald, S.J., was the officiating clergyman. The newlyweds are spending their honeymoon in Hongkong.

Pedestrians are seen as well as if no car were approaching, and because there is no glare in the driver's eye's there is sense of daytime comfort. Experts predict a major reduction in the toll of 20,000 fatalities directly traced to headlight glare.

The world's first three-dimensional movies in full colour were shown at the demonstration. Observers found the pictures seemed real not only because texture and luster were reproduced exactly.

The audience wore clear polaroid spectacles for viewing the scenes. Actors and actresses seemed actually present in person. The pictures were taken with a double camera having two lenses as far apart as the average human eyes.

When the films are shown, the two views are projected on the same screen, one on top of the other, through polaroid sheets set at right angles to each other.

New Movies Expected Soon

The audience, supplied with polaroid glasses, sees one image with the left eye, and the other with the right. These independent screen images reproduce the actual mechanics of vision accomplished by the naked eye.

Movies made and viewed by this system are expected to be available soon through equipment now being built by one of the large photographic companies.

KISSES INSTEAD OF DIMES IS NEW CRAZE

CHAIN LETTERS

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

Chain letters calling for kisses instead of dimes are sweeping through the province of Chekiang and, in spite of the vigorous opposition of the authorities, appear to be growing in popularity.

The "love chain letters," as they are called, are written entirely in English and are circulated in the same manner as those involving money, which attained only a small vogue in China.

The letters are sent to five persons. Each recipient copies the letter and its list of names, adding his own name and omitting the first one on the list.

On the night of the next full moon he is supposed to meet the person whose name he has omitted at a place designated in the letter. Both are to wear a red ribbon for identification.

When they meet they are to exchange kisses. Each person receiving the letter is due to be kissed 15,000 times.

The object, it is said, is to enable single persons to find suitable mates, but the letters are considered immoral by the authorities and the Ministry of the Interior has instructed the Chekiang police to stop their circulation.

SISTERS

GERMAN shipping circles are mystified by fires which have damaged two sister ships recently launched.

A fortnight ago in the English Channel, the Potsdam (18,000 tons) reported a blaze in her engine-room.

She is on her way back to Bremen, crippled.

Almost immediately afterwards the Gneisenau (also 18,000 tons), had a fire in her copra cargo.

She was off Singapore, on her maiden voyage.

North German Lloyd, the owners, ordered a strict investigation.

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String
Instruments



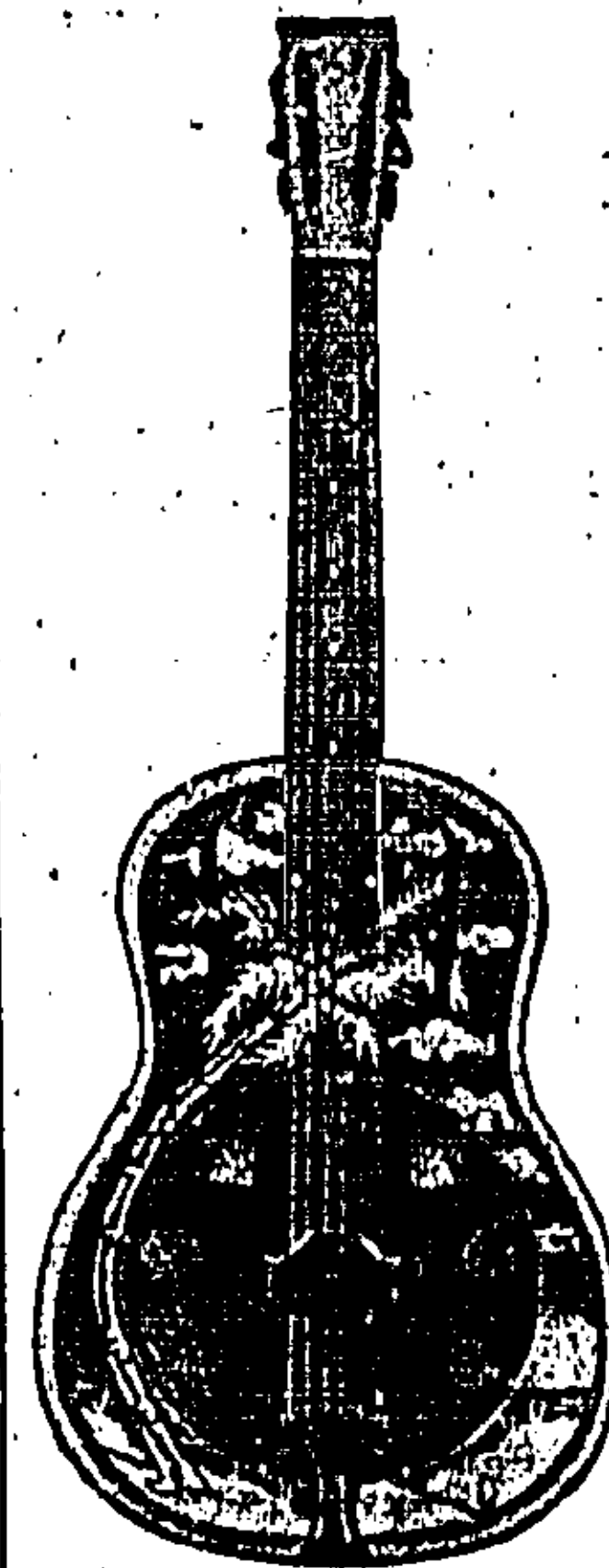
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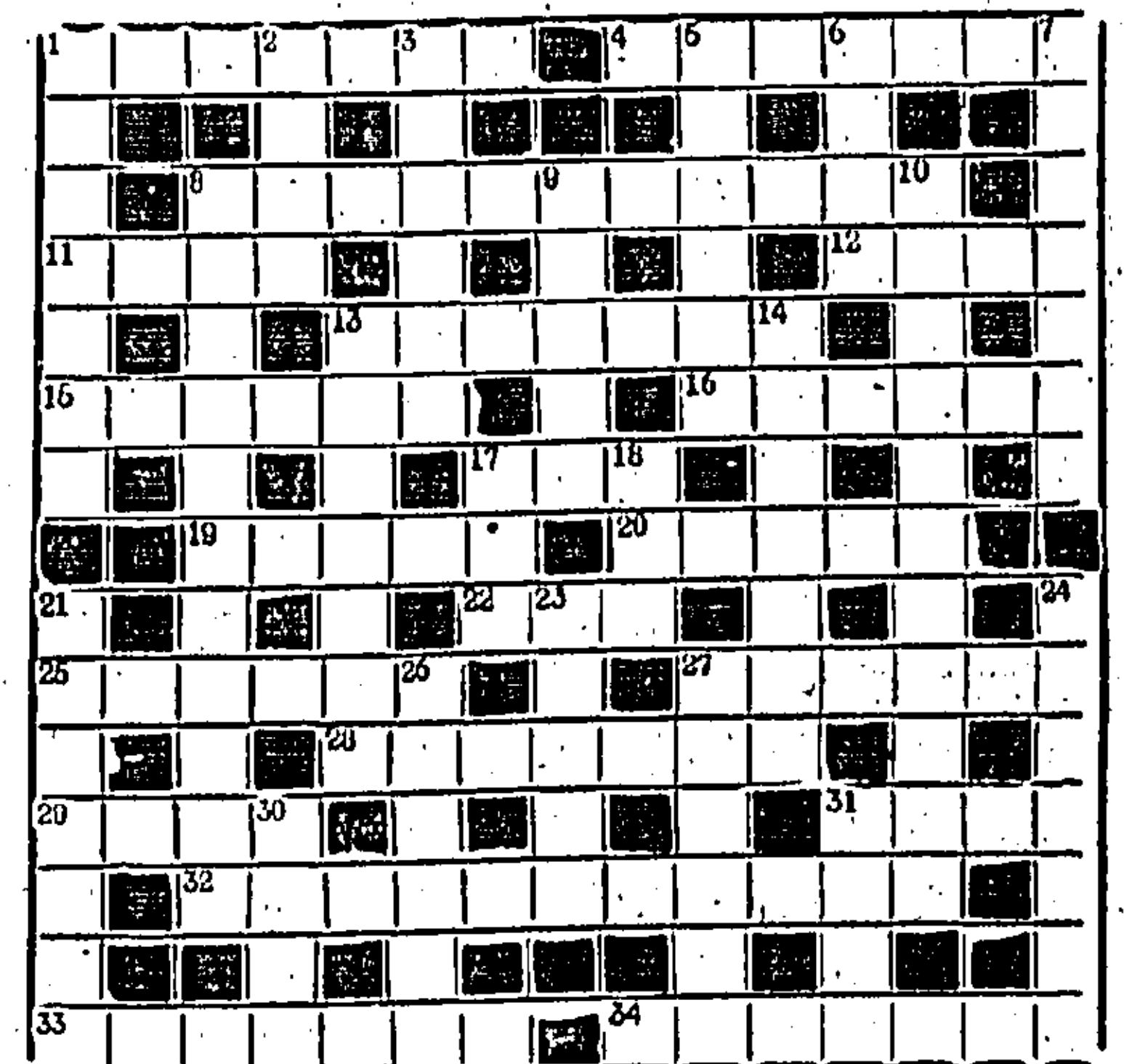
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- 1 Does a lobster make this in the bed of the ocean?
- 4 After her sails have been removed the old ship's destiny is evident.
- 8 Coin, not part (anag.).
- 11 This shows deep sorrow if taken to heart.
- 12 Where scores are saved by the keeper in goal.
- 13 Some solvers find these a necessity. Take time.
- 15 Mass book?
- 16 Various, people who often turn into wrecks.
- 17 A single person.
- 19 How to Get a Bit More out of Tea—by an artist.
- 20 A pound from this weight might be a nasty blow.
- 22 Renowned cricketer.
- 25 P. G. Room (anag.).
- 27 Hamper.
- 28 One can easily make these fellow anigger.
- 29 Admits the possession of "snow."
- 31 Though slippery customers they help to make one feel safe.
- 32 Single shots (anag.).
- 33 Lads may wear them, and lass may also make them.
- 34 He has to whistle for his wages—suggesting foul play.

DOWN

- 1 This reminds one of how the balloonist loses gas—as an oyster.
- 2 Its life largely depends upon the salvation of its sole.
- 3 Complete as it stands.
- 5 Suback that any trader can make good.
- 6 Absorbed by many a seafaring

- 7 Some language!
- 8 Changing around a retrograde measure is, certainly, asking for it.
- 9 A crime within reason—and a bit to spare.
- 10 Although one may have no special time for these unknowns, ten to nine is quite suitable.
- 13 Feeling.
- 14 Something two can play at, keeper in goal.
- 17 One of the fools who take things easily under fifty.
- 18 In Elysium.
- 21 Withstands—with stands for the photographer.
- 23 Royal.
- 24 An annoying word.
- 26 Another mass book.
- 27 In this to violate will be O.K.
- 30 Cast off.
- 31 Girl's name, it might be made to appear.

Yesterday's Solution

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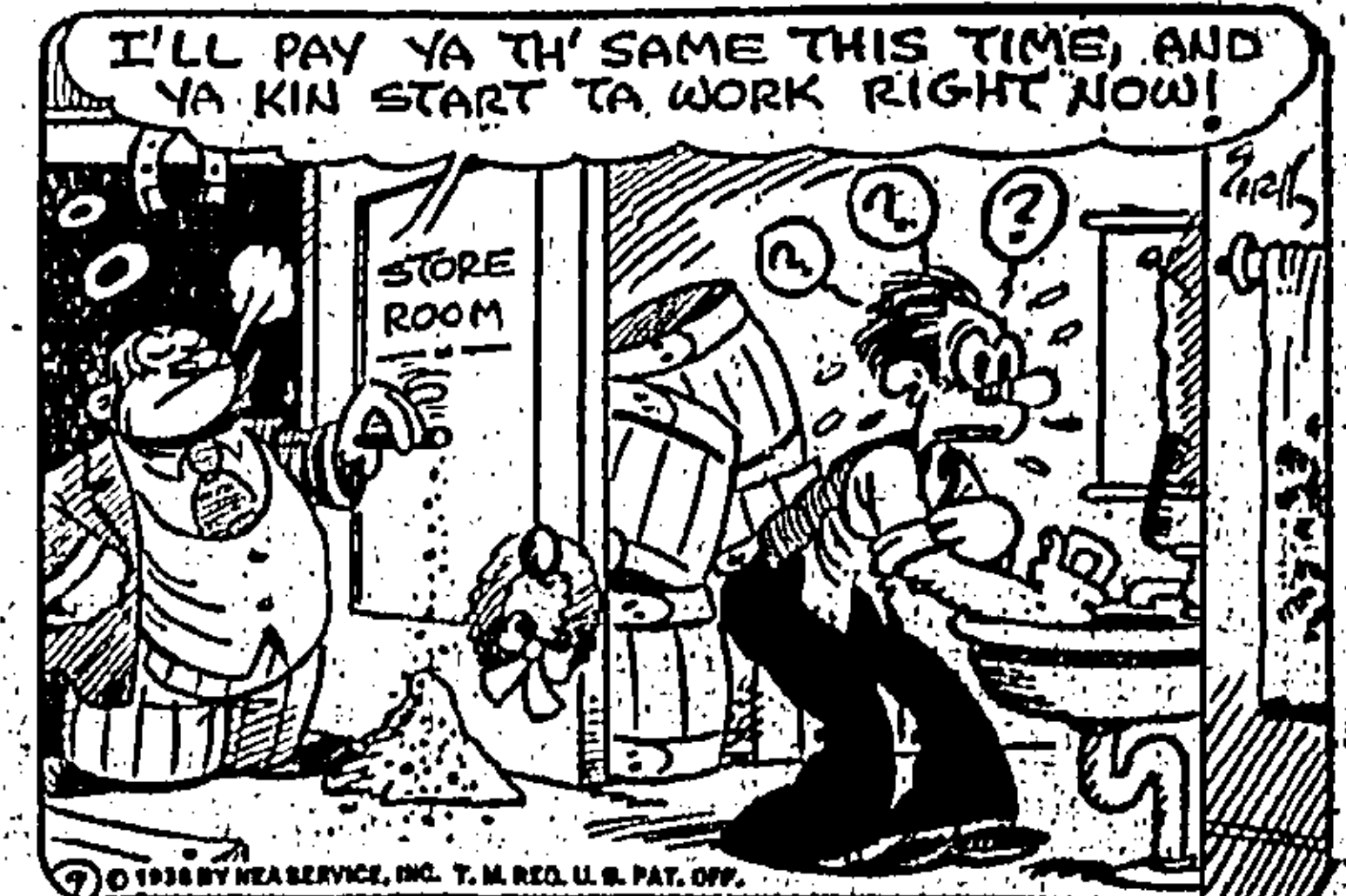
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FULL REPORT OF WHITE PAPER ON DEFENCE

BUILDING OF SHIPS TO BE SPEEDED UP

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN FLEET AIR ARM

THE long-awaited British White Paper on Defence, issued last month, begins its outline of the plan for extending the defence services in a reference to the "overwhelming importance of the Navy."

This overwhelming importance lies in "preserving our sea communications and thus ensuring this country the supplies of sea-borne food and raw materials on which its existence depends."

The first part of the White Paper is taken up with an historical survey of the facts leading up to the plan.

Comparative strengths of the world's standing armies are given, and it is shown that while Britain reduced her armaments, many countries increased the number, range and efficiency of their fighting services.

Emphasis is laid on Britain's unwavering support of the League of Nations in pursuit of peace.

"Taking risks for peace," it is pointed out, has not removed the dangers of war.

In the plan itself stress is laid on the importance of naval strength in the following way:

NEW CONSTRUCTION: REPAIRING DEFICIENCIES

"No less important is the responsibility of the Navy, stressed also in the same document [the White Paper of March last on Defence] for maintaining free passage between the different parts of the Empire of troops and supplies of all kinds, thus ensuring the very foundation of our system of Imperial Defence."

"To render the Navy capable in all circumstances of fulfilling these requirements."

It will be necessary not only to proceed with new construction at a more rapid rate than in recent years, but also to make good existing deficiencies in armament and stores of all kinds.

"Until the end of 1935 the strength of all the principal Naval Powers are regulated by treaty."

"What will remain of this limitation after the conclusion of the present Naval Conference is not yet certain, but it would seem likely that agreement will not extend beyond advance notification of annual programmes, exchange of information and certain measures of qualitative limitation on the sizes of ships and their guns."

"The agreement concluded in June, 1930, with Germany as a stabilising factor, which shows clearly the value of quantitative agreements when these can be obtained."

"The failure to arrive at a general agreement, however, does not necessarily imply an intention on the part of other Powers to develop their naval strength in such a way as to upset the balance of security, and the present plans of His Majesty's Government do not take account of any developments of this kind."

TWO NEW CAPITAL SHIPS

"The London Naval Treaty prohibits the building of new capital ships so long as it remains in force, i.e., till December 31, 1936, at the process of replacement cannot be delayed beyond that date, and it is intended to make a beginning early in the calendar year 1937, when two new capital ships will be laid down. The modernisation of certain of our existing battleships will be continued."

"In cruisers the aim is to increase the total number to 70, of which 60 would be under-age and 10 over-age. Five cruisers will be included in the 1936 programme."

"A steady replacement programme for destroyers and submarines is contemplated, while in the case of sloops

and small craft generally, the present rate of construction will be continued.

ONE SMALLER AIRCRAFT CARRIER

"A new aircraft carrier, of a smaller type, will be laid down at an early date."

"The growing naval importance of the Fleet Air Arm will necessitate a considerable expansion of its present strength."

"Compared with other navies, such as those of Japan or the United States of America, the number of first line Fleet Air Arm aircraft is considerably lower than it should be and it is intended to bring it up to substantially higher figures in the course of the next few years."

"This increase will of course necessitate a corresponding increase in personnel."

"Finally, it will be necessary to increase the personnel of the Navy to man the new vessels and to make good existing deficiencies. The increase must be a gradual process in order to ensure efficiency, and by March 31, 1937, the number is expected to rise by about 6,000 men."

ARMY'S THREE MAIN FUNCTIONS

"The Army has three main functions to perform; it has to maintain garrisons overseas in various parts of the Empire, to provide the military share in Home Defence, including anti-aircraft defence, coast defence and internal security, and, lastly, in time of emergency or war to provide a properly equipped force ready to proceed overseas wherever it may be wanted."

"The present peace-time serving strength of the regular military field units in Great Britain is approximately 115,000 men."

INFANTRY: 4 NEW BATTALIONS

"It must be remembered that this force constitutes the only source from which immediate reinforcements to any part of the Empire can be drawn."

"Compared with 1914, our Army has been reduced by no less than 21 battalions of infantry, although our peace commitments are greater than ever before."

"Owing to this reduction of infantry we are unable to maintain the balance of home and foreign service battalions, and the result is hardship to the units which are given additional foreign service, and injury both to recruiting and to the efficiency of our Army."

"His Majesty's Government propose to raise four new battalions of infantry, which will to some extent mitigate the present difficulties of the recruiting duties, which our Imperial responsibilities place upon us."

MODERNISING FIELD ARTILLERY

"It is not intended, in connection with the present proposals, to make any further increase in the number of fighting units in the Regular Army beyond the four battalions."

"But it is urgently necessary that the Army formations already existing should be organised in the most effective form and equipped with the most modern armament and material, together with adequate reserves of ammunition and stores."

"Plans have been worked out for this purpose and the necessary steps are being taken to put them into operation. Particular attention is being given to our Field Artillery equipments, which will be thoroughly modernised."

TERRITORIAL ARMY TO BE RECONSTITUTED

"The Territorial Army, though generally regarded as the second line in our military forces, actually pro-

Air Forces Of The Big Powers

This table shows the progress made with the R.A.F. expansion scheme begun in May last year:

	May, 1935	To Date	1937
Home Defence ...	580	762	1,500
Fleet Air Arm ...	171	189	500
Overseas ...	264	264	500
Machines	1,015	1,215	2,000

The additional expansion programme adds 250 machines to the Home Defence Force and approximately 150 to overseas strength 400

BRITAIN'S TOTAL FIRST-LINE STRENGTH 2,400

First-line strength of foreign Powers at present is:

France	1,700	Russia	3,000
Germany	800	Japan	850
Italy	1,150	U.S.A.	1,250

(Comparative strengths of the Armies and Navies are given on Page Eighteen.)

FIRSTLINE AIR STRENGTH IN BRITAIN GOING UP TO 1,750 PLANES

views the first line in anti-aircraft and coast defence at home.

"It is recruited on the basis that it will be ready to serve wherever it may be needed, and if the Regular Army should require support abroad the Territorial Army will be called upon to give that support, serving not as drafts but in its own units and formations."

"It therefore holds an important place in our defence organisation, and it is the intention of His Majesty's Government to do all that is possible to encourage its recruiting and increase its efficiency."

"The present, owing to the demands upon the capacity of industrial output which must necessarily be made in the first instance by the Regular Army, it is not possible simultaneously to re-constitute the Territorial Army, but a beginning will be made at once in the task of improving its present inadequate equipment and training."

DEFENDING VITAL TRADE CENTRES

"The modernisation of coast defences at defended ports at home and abroad will be proceeded with at an accelerated rate, and the reorganisation of anti-aircraft defences in the South-East of England which has already been authorised."

will be extended with a view to covering the important industrial districts in the centre and north of the country."

"The Government also consider it essential to take immediate steps to improve the housing conditions of the Army, which are at present unsatisfactory, and progress in this matter will be made as rapidly as possible during the next few years."

"AIR FORCE NEEDS MOST URGENT"

"The prime function of the Royal Air Force is to provide an effective deterrent to any attack upon the vital interests of this country whether situated at home or overseas."

"In the present situation this is the most urgent and important of our defence requirements, and it has rightly received the special attention of Parliament."

"The programme of the Royal Air Force approved by the House of Commons last year was designed to bring up the strength of the Force at home to a total of 123 squadrons with approximately 1,600 first-line aircraft."

"That programme is proceeding according to plan, but new developments in design will render it possible to make great additions to the striking power of the Force."

"The latest types of machine which will shortly come into production show such improvements in speed, range and carrying capacity as greatly to increase the operational effectiveness of the squadrons to be equipped with them."

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

"Particular attention has therefore been given to the provision of these reserves in the shortest possible time, and it can now be said that adequate arrangements for this purpose are in train."

"In the meantime the passive side of air defence measures has not been neglected. The Air Raid Precautions Department of the Home Office, set up in May of last year, has been actively engaged in the examination of the subject with local authorities and satisfactory progress has been made."

"Plans which have been prepared over a number of years are now approaching the stage when they can be put into operation, and estimates will be submitted in due course for the expenditure which will be required during the current year."

"Before passing to another subject, it must once more be emphasised that the plans for the improvement of our defence forces in all three Services must be regarded as flexible and subject to variation in details from time to time."

"The whole field of preparation will have to be kept under constant review, and new conditions whether arising from changes in the dispositions of other nations or from fresh develop-

CLOSE WATCH ON PROFITS

INSPECTION OF BOOKS

ments in design and invention, must be met by corresponding variations in our own plans."

"In presenting to Parliament a scheme of improved defence so far-reaching in character and likely to involve so heavy a financial outlay," says the third section, "His Majesty's Government desire particularly to stress the fact that these proposals have resulted from a thorough study of the subject of defence as a whole."

"The examination of the problem was entrusted in the first instance to a Sub-Committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence."

"This Committee was composed of the Secretary to the Committee of Imperial Defence, the Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and the Chiefs of Staff of the three Defence Services."

"Their conclusions were submitted to the Defence Policy and Requirements Committee, presided over by the Prime Minister, and on his invitation, and in view of the importance of the industrial side of the question, Lord Weir became a member of this Committee and gave his active assistance in formulating the recommendations which they made to the Cabinet."

"The Defence Policy and Requirements Committee has served in effect both as a General Purposes Committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence and as a Committee of Liaison between the Committee of Imperial Defence and the Cabinet."

CABINET HAS BEEN CAREFUL

"Not only the general conception of the defence plans now brought forward, but every detail included in the scheme, have been the subject of close examination and scrutiny by the Defence Policy and Requirements Committee and subsequently by the whole Cabinet."

"In the opinion of His Majesty's Government they represent a thoroughly considered and well-balanced whole so far as conditions can be foreseen at this moment."

"In the future they will no doubt require adjustment from time to time as well as continuous supervision and pressure to ensure their execution. For this purpose the existing organisation for defence has been reviewed and the changes which have been approved by His Majesty's Government were announced by the Prime Minister on Feb. 27."

"[This statement on the appointment of a Deputy Defence Minister was printed in full in the News Chronicle.]"

"It will be seen," continues the White Paper, "that the new arrangements contemplated are intended to serve two purposes, namely, to provide an improved and strengthened apparatus for the consideration of Defence problems as a whole and to ensure the fullest and most effective use of the industrial capacity and the man power available for production of control over industry and to direct it into any desired channel."

CO-OPERATION WITH EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS

"The problem before us differs materially from that with which we are faced in the Great War. At that time the whole of the country were devoted to winning the war and nothing else. Special powers were entrusted to the Government which enabled them to exercise complete control over industry and to direct it into any desired channel."

"To-day we are at peace and moreover we are living in a period of great commercial and industrial activity."

"What we have to do is to carry through, in a limited period of time, measures which will make exceptionally heavy demands upon certain branches of industry and upon certain classes of skilled labour, without impeding the progress of normal trade."

"This will require the most careful organisation and the willing co-operation both of the leaders of industry and of trade unions if our task is to be successfully accomplished. But the Government have every confidence that these conditions will be fulfilled."

IMMENSE RESERVES OR ORGANISED CAPACITY

"Consideration of the position showed that there were really two different requirements to be met. One has already been stated in the foregoing paragraph, and concerns the carrying out of a peace-time programme. The other concerns our readiness for war itself."

"Modern war conditions involve a vast expenditure of munitions and equipment, and in the early months of the Great War there was a tragic loss of life in consequence of the lack of adequate reserves."

"If we are to avoid a repetition of that tragedy in any future war and to provide by our preparations an increased deterrent, we must prepare ourselves either by accumulating immense reserves or by so organising industry that it can rapidly change over at the vital points from commercial to war production should the necessity arise."

"The first alternative, however, is only feasible within limits, and beyond that is ruled out not only on account of its cost, but because weapons and methods of warfare are continually changing, and these accumulated reserves might therefore well become obsolete before they were required."

"His Majesty's Government, therefore, have turned to the second alternative, and they have already taken some preliminary steps towards putting it into operation."

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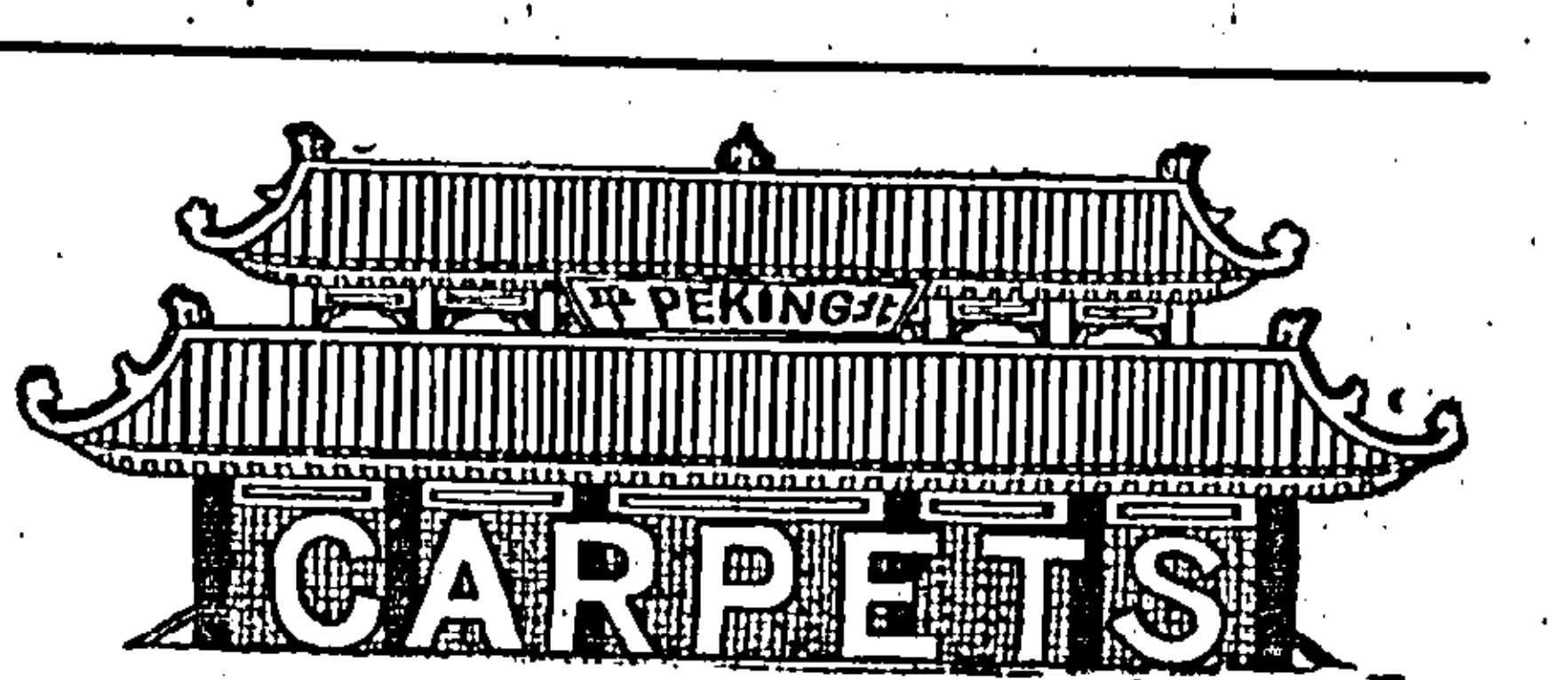
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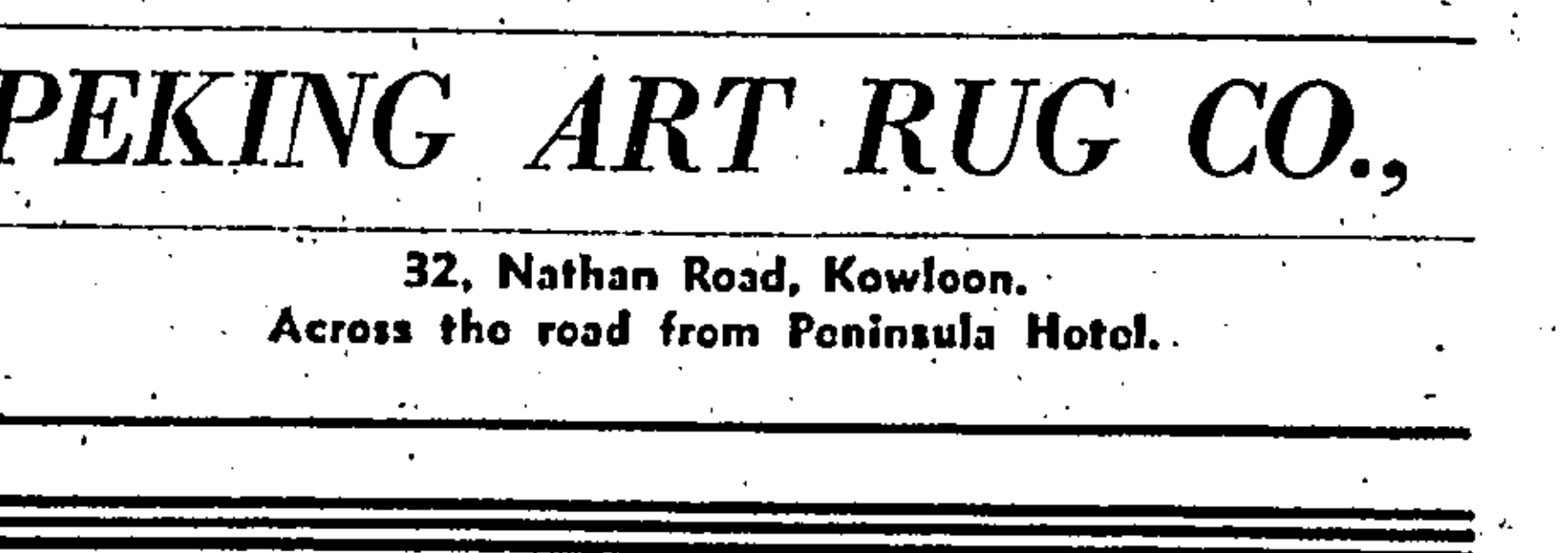
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THE NEW INDIAN CONSTITUTION

SATISFACTORY
PROGRESS REPORTED

London, Mar. 30. The House of Commons discussed to-night draft Orders-in-Council under the Government of India Act which the Under-Secretary for India, Mr. Butler, said marked a further stage in the steady progress which was being made towards the establishment of a new Constitution in the provinces of India.

He forecast, if progress continued at the rate he hoped, that the new Provincial Legislatures would be able to start work on provincial autonomy would commence at a date which he put approximately at the spring of 1937.

The Opposition, while welcoming the drafts as part of the procedure leading to the inauguration of the new Constitution, offered criticism in details.

After some discussion of the first draft order relating to qualifications of voters and candidates in provincial elections, the debate was adjourned.

British Wireless.

FANCY DRESS DANCE

R.A.O.C. EVENT
BIG SUCCESS

The R.A.O.C. held a most successful fancy dress dance at the China Fleet Club last night, when over a hundred couples took the floor. The costumes were noteworthy for their variety and excellence, and the music by the band of the East Lancashire Regiment was greatly enjoyed.

The first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. Turner, as "Mazurkette Ten," and the second by Mrs. Whykes as "Mazurkette." For gentlemen, Mr. Halliwell secured first prize as "Mazurkette," while Mr. Whitehouse won the second prize as "Mazurkette." The lucky number was No. 40.

Dancing continued until 1 a.m., and the Association wishes to thank Messrs. H. H. Andrews, Bullock, France and McQueen for undertaking the arrangements.

RECORD CARGO

London, Mar. 30. The largest South African cargo ever brought to Southampton will be discharged on Monday next from a Union Castle liner homeward bound on her maiden voyage.

The freight amounting to nearly 11,000 tons, measurement included wool and skins, fruit, butter and chilled and frozen meat.

British Wireless.

LADY CALDECOTT

A telegram received from Home states that the operation on Lady Caldecott for appendicitis has been entirely successful and that she is making excellent progress. If this continues it is probable that she will sail for the East by the P. and O. s.s. Corfu, due in Hongkong on June 10.

EXCHANGE

TO-DAY'S OPENING
QUOTATIONS

Selling	
T.T. Demand	1/34
T.T. Singapore	1/34
T.T. Shanghai	55
T.T. Japan	107
T.T. India	110 1/4
T.T. France & New York	85 1/2
T.T. Java	31.15/16
T.T. France	40 1/2
T.T. Manila	4.85
T.T. Bangkok	63 1/4
T.T. Saigon	143 1/2
T.T. Lisbon	48 1/2
Buying	
4 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 b/s. D/P	1/4 1/4
6 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 m/s. San Francisco & New York	33.5/16
New York—London	5.13 1/2
	4.95

EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 27.	Mar. 28.
Paris	75.1/4	75.1/4
Geneva	15.10	15.22 1/2
Berlin	12.31	12.37
Nyon	62 1/2	7.31 1/4
Athens	518	518
Shanghai	1/2.0/10	1/2.0/10
New York	4.05	4.94.15/16
Amsterdam	7.28	7.31 1/4
Vienna	20 1/2	20 1/2
Prague	119 1/2	119 1/2
Bucharest	670	670
Madrid	30.5/10	30 1/2
Lisbon	110 1/4	110 1/4
Hongkong	1/34	1/34
Bombay	1/34	1/34
Brussels	20.23 1/2	20.23 1/2
Monte Video	39.7/10	39 1/2
Belgrade	217	217
Yokohama	4.07 1/4	4.07 1/4
Rio	1/2	1/2
Silver (Spot)	19.15/16	19.15/16
Silver (forward) 10%	10 1/2	10 1/2
War Loan	100 1/2	100 1/2

—British Wireless.

Observatory returns show that there was a drop in the temperature of 11 degrees from Sunday to Monday. At 4 p.m. on the former date, the temperature was 74, while on Monday at the same time the figure was 63.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of the well-known football player, Mr. Sidney Herbert Strange, and Miss Ellen Elizabeth Standley, residing at 1, Russell Street. Mr. Strange is a hand baller in the King's Land Office, New Territories.

NO DATE SET FOR MILITARY PARLEYS

BRITISH MINISTERS
IN CONFERENCE

OBLIGATIONS
REAFFIRMED

London, Mar. 30. A meeting of Ministers was held this morning at which, besides the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Lord Monckton, Lord Swinton, Lord Halifax, Mr. Anthony Eden and Sir Thomas Inskip, new Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, were present.

Contrary to newspaper reports that the meeting would be concerned with approval of the proposed technical conversations with the General Staffs of the Powers still adhering to the Locarno Treaty, it is pointed out in official quarters that Cabinet approval of these talks was involved in the decision of the Government to accept the proposals drawn up at the recent Four-Power conference. The technical arrangements in question were provided for in the third section of the proposal and relate solely to the carrying out of the existing obligations of the British Government under the Locarno Treaty in case of actual unprovoked aggression.

It is understood that no date for the beginning of conversations has yet been fixed, and this question may come before the Cabinet on Wednesday.

Meantime, consideration is being given to the conditions under which the talks would be held, and it is assumed that this was one of the subjects upon which the French Ambassador spoke with the Foreign Secretary when he called at the Foreign Office this afternoon. In agreeing to the conversations between the staffs in connection with their reaffirmation of the Locarno obligations—which was the contribution of the British Government to the restoration of confidence by compensating Belgium and France for loss of security resulting from their removal from the remilitarization of Rhineland—the Government, it is recalled by political commentators, had before them the example of similar technical examination recently agreed at the request to participate in connection with the possibility of unprovoked aggression in the Mediterranean and in accordance with Article 16, Paragraph 3, of the Locarno Covenant.

BRITAIN CONDEMNS USE OF GAS

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were opposed not only to the principles of Christianity but to the most elementary principles of humanity itself. He would be immensely relieved if an assurance could be given that these charges were either unfounded or greatly exaggerated. But if those charges were true and well founded, he hoped the people of the world would be ready to enter a solemn expostulation and protest.

Replying for the Government, Lord Halifax said he wished it were in his power to give an assurance that there was no foundation for these reports. At present, he had not information and could only associate himself with everything said by the previous speakers.

If the reports in fact turned out true, they had a gravity which no speech could exaggerate. It would be for the League Committee of Thirteen to consider and decide on appropriate action. But if the reports were true, it would be the duty and desire of His Majesty's Government to use his utmost efforts to secure not only a practical condemnation of so great an outrage upon civilisation, but also to take whatever steps were possible to secure the world against a recurrence of an action so condemned.

VISITOR DIES IN HONGKONG

ON LEAVE FROM
SINGAPORE

The death occurred at the War Memorial Hospital yesterday afternoon of Mr. Saul Isaac Saul, as a result of an attack of diabetes and heart trouble.

The late Mr. S. I. Saul was attached to the Government Offices in Singapore and had many years of service with the Indian and Singapore Governments. He was on leave to Singapore when he was taken off the Fushima Maru in Hongkong suffering from a serious attack. He entered the hospital on Friday. He was very well known amongst the Jewish community and others, and leaves a wife and two daughters in Singapore and a son in England.

WANG CHING-WEI ATTEMPT

EXTRADITION CASE
OPENED

The full story of the attempt on the life of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, then President of the Executive Yuan and Foreign Minister, on November 1 last year, was disclosed by Mr. D. L. Strellet, when he opened the case for the Crown against four men whose extradition is being sought by the Nanking authorities. The case came up before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The fugitives are Yu Lap-fui alias Li Chi-on, alias Li Shek-yu, aged 47 years, an ex-colonel of a regiment in Shanghai, Chau Sai-ping, Wu Tai-hoi and Cheung Chi-hon.

Mr. Strellet declared that the plot was originally hatched by conspirators working together in Nanking, Shanghai and Hongkong, and a new agency was formed providing a cloak to their activities, but really as a means to approach near their intended victims, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. Wang Ching-wei. One attempt had been frustrated owing to a change in the arrangements of the meeting of the Kuomintang and the loss of courage of one of the conspirators, and finally the attempt on Mr. Wang occurred, which ended with the assassin, a reporter in the news agency, being killed and Mr. Wang seriously wounded.

Mr. P. H. Sin is appearing on behalf of all four fugitives, and he agreed to the proposition made by Mr. Strellet that the case against all fugitives should be heard together.

Nanking Charges

Nanking, Mar. 30. Further details of the preliminary examination of the alleged accomplices in the attempted murder of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, former President of the Executive Yuan, were revealed by Government Authorities yesterday.

It is stated that Chang Yuet-wah and Ho Po-kwang, who will be brought before the District Court here this afternoon, at the preliminary examination declared that three men, Wang Ah-chiu, Yu Lap-fui, and Han Ko-chi, were instructed by Generals Li Chai-sum and Chan Ming-shu to carry out the assassination of Nanking leaders. They had established headquarters in Hongkong. The two prisoners further stated that the persons mentioned above were responsible for the attempted murder of T. V. Soong at Chapel Railway Station some time ago, when T. V. Soong's secretary was the victim of the crime. The crime was alleged to have been carried out under the direction of Yu Lap-fui, who was at the Railway Station at the time. The prisoners stated that Wang Ah-chiu had a number of gangsters under his control. The most notorious were Chau Shi-ping, Ho Tai-hai, and Chang Chi-hai, who stayed in Hongkong to plan the murder.

The Nanking Government officially informed the Hongkong Government Authorities and asked to have the persons concerned arrested. Yu Lap-fui had been arrested in Hongkong, and a number of documents were taken by the Hongkong police. The Nanking Government is now seeking the man's extradition.

It is understood that Yu Lap-fui will be prosecuted separately when he arrives here.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

ATHLETIC MEETING

OUTSTANDING RESULTS AT
SCHOOL SPORTS

Five records were broken at the fourth annual sports meeting of the Wah Tai College, held yesterday on the South China Athletic Association ground at Caroline Hill. Mr. P. H. Sin distributed the prizes.

Class 1 won the Inter-Class Relay, and were awarded the Wah Tai Cup, presented by the Headmaster. Individual honours were gained by Chan Yuk, who carried off the Senior Championship with 21 points, and Ma Man-kwong, who took the Junior Championship with 15 points.

The results, in detail, were as follows:
100 Metres, Senior Championship.—1, Li Tin-po; 2, Leung Sat-sang. Time: 11.5 secs. (Record).
100 Metres, Junior Championship.—1, Ma Man-kwong; 2, Ip Man-hon. Time: 12.7 secs.

100 Metres, Middle.—1, Pun Kwok-lam; 2, Lam Ming-she. Time: 15.3 secs.
400 Metres, Senior Championship.—1, Chan Yuk; 2, Wong Chow. Time: 61 secs.

Long Jump, Senior Championship.—1, Chan Yuk; 2, Ip Man-hon. Distance: 19 ft. 1/2 in. (Record).
Long Jump, Junior Championship.—1, Ma Man-kwong; 2, Ng Chak-fong. Distance: 17 ft. 7 in.

Putting the Shot (12 lbs.).—1, Wong Chow-mo; 2, Chan Yuk. Distance: 30 ft.
800 Metres, Open Championship.—1, Leung Fook-yau; 2, Wong Chow-mo. Time: 2 mins. 25 1/2 secs. (Record).

100 Metres, Open to Boarders.—1, Yuen Ching-kwong; 2, Wong Hing-chow. Time: 14.5 secs.
3,000 Metres Bicycle Race.—1, Mak Wai-ming; 2, Lo Wing-moon. Time: 8 mins. 50 secs.

200 Metres, Senior Championship.—1, Li Tin-po; 2, Leung Sat-sang. Time: 25.2 secs.
200 Metres, Junior Championship.—1, Ma Man-kwong; 2, Ip Man-hon. Time: 25.5 secs.

High Jump, Senior Championship.—1, Leung Sat-sang; 2, Chan Yuk. Height: 5 ft. 1/2 in.
High Jump, Junior Championship.—1, Cheung Yat-sing; 2, Ip Man-hon. Height: 4 ft. 9 in.

1,500 Metres, Open Championship.—1, Wong Chow-mo; 2, Pun Fook-ming. Time: 5 mins. 7.5 secs.
100 Metres, Committee Race.—1, Leung Kang-yiu; 2, Law Chin-tang. Time: 12.6 secs.

100 Metres, Open to Members of S.C.A.—1, Leung Yung-hung; 2, Suen Han-nong. Time: 11.6 secs.
110 Metres, Low Hurdles, Open Championship.—1, Chan Yuk; 2, Ip Man-hon. Time: 16.9 secs. (Record).

Obstacle Race.—1, Leung Kwok-kwan; 2, Leung Sat-sang.
1,200 Metres Relay, Open to all schools.—1, St. Joseph's; 2, La Salle. Time: 2 mins. 49 secs.

Inter-Class Relay.—1, Class 1; 2, Class 2. Time: 55.6 secs.
Consolation Race.—1, Suen Tat-wong; 2, Chan Wing-fat. Time: 12.5 secs.

800 Metres, Open to the Colony.—1, Mr. Hammons; 2, Mr. Phillips. Time: 2 mins. 11.5 secs.

A dinner dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel on Wednesday at 8.30 p.m.

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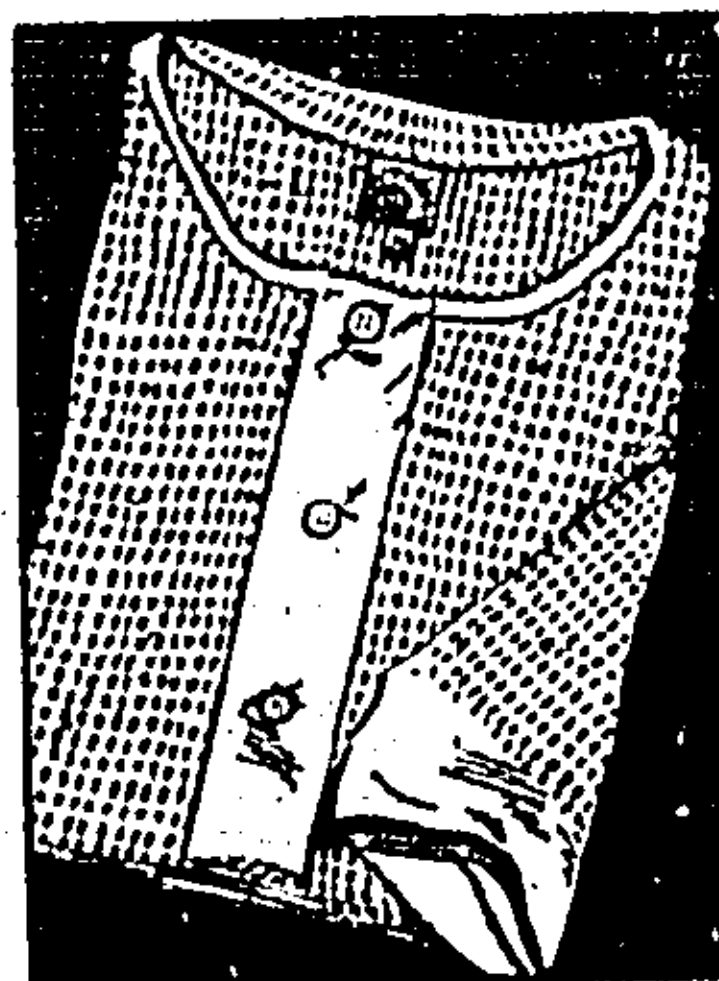
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TUESDAY, MAR. 31, 1936.

COLONY FINANCES

Detailed figures of the Colony's finances for the year 1935, now issued, bear evidence of the effects of high exchange on expenditure, with the result that the twelve months ended with a balance of revenue over outgoings totalling close on \$139,000.

Actually, the year's income was \$28,430,549, whilst expenditure totalled \$28,291,636. When we come to compare revenue with the Budget estimate, we find there is a shrinkage of more than two million dollars, this reflecting, in turn, a drop or some \$1,143,000 as against the year 1934. Under only two headings are increases shown when contrasted with the previous year—more than a million dollars in respect of miscellaneous service, and over \$51,000 on interest. The biggest drop is one of \$881,000 on licences and internal revenue not otherwise specified, whilst land sales declined by \$319,000. How marked the last-named shrinkage is may be gathered from the fact that on an expectation of \$600,000 only \$244,000 was actually brought in. Turning to expenditure, we find that on an estimate of \$32,556,102, the outgoings were only \$28,291,636, a drop of over four million dollars, whilst compared with the year 1934 there was a saving of over \$2,800,000. There are increases shown under nine headings and decreases under no less than thirty. The biggest drop in outgoings was \$982,000 in respect of Public Works Extraordinary, and it is of interest to note that the total decline in respect of all P.W.D. votes was over \$1,600,000. The financial position at the end of the year disclosed a balance of assets over liabilities totalling more than twelve million dollars. Up to that stage, therefore, the policy of retaining a credit of at least ten million dollars had been realised. Due to the exchange factor, however, the position has since taken a decided turn for the worse. In this connection, it has to be borne in mind that the Budget for last year was based on a 1s. 4d. dollar, whereas actually the average figure for the year worked out at a much higher level. This point has to be remembered when comparing actual expenditure with the estimate. For the current year, the Budget is calculated on a 1s. 8d. dollar, and it is obvious that nothing like this rate is likely to be realised. This is the circumstance which has put a totally different complexion on the Colony's finances, necessitating the imposition of salary cuts and other forms of retrenchment. Rumours are in

NOTES OF THE DAY

TRADE REVIVAL

The great effects of the trade depression of six or seven years ago have been made more and more manifest by the public attitude to the trade revival during the past two years. While welcoming all the prevalent signs of growing prosperity the British public has viewed it with a certain caution. The slump affected the people so profoundly that they hesitated for long to adopt an absolutely confident attitude towards even obvious improvement. Now that there is a quiet confidence in the financial and commercial condition of the country, and in the prospects for the future. Fortunately financial and trade returns continue to justify this faith in the country's prosperity. The latest figures show that the national revenue is improved. There is a boom in the iron and steel trades. Sheffield is producing more steel than ever before in its whole history. Since 1931 its production has increased by 110 per cent. During the past three years unemployment in Sheffield has fallen from 57,397 to 29,721, and the amount paid in wages has increased by 75 per cent. The motor car industry is also working at full pressure; orders for early spring deliveries are greater than ever before. Electricity production during January exceeded that of a year ago by nearly fifteen per cent. There is more activity in the building, furniture and boot and shoe trades, and in the gas industry. Even the cotton industry, which has lagged behind for so many years, is now improving. This looks like what we used to call prosperity.

circulation of the probability of fresh taxation to meet the situation. On general lines, there will be objection to any such course of action, in addition to which account has to be taken of the danger of undue taxation defeating its own ends. One thing is certain, namely, that any proposals, at this juncture, for adding to existing taxes or for the introduction of new impost will be most closely scrutinised before being assented to by Unofficial members of the Council or endorsed by public opinion.



The world washes its hands and postpones death by doing so. It uses the waste product, GLYCERINE, to blow itself to pieces.

PICK up a cake of soap from your washstand, tell yourself that this little compound of oil and alkali has changed human life in the last century more than all the Acts of all the Governments together. Reflect that it has done more to preserve the life and health of man than any other discovery ever made. Consider that without it it would be impossible for the woollen, cotton, silk, wire-drawing, tanning, dyeing and finishing industries to carry on for another day. Then ask your friends to tell you what it is.

"A thing modern life cannot do without" seems to be the nearest thing to a definition. Chemically its components vary from brand to brand. Legally no description of it has yet been given by the Courts. There is no patent attached to the name—any compound of fats, salt and water can be sold as soap—even if the water is 80 per cent. of it. I suppose the simplest way to define soap is "a chemical reaction resulting from the mixture of fat and the salt of fatty acids (alkali)." Having set out what it is as nearly as possible, let us now set out what it has done, a far simpler thing, for the figures of rising soap consumption in Britain over the last 80 years equated with the figures of a falling death-rate really answer that question by themselves.

Year	Total soap consumption per head (toilet soap)	Deaths per 1,000
1815	90,000 tons	22
1847	300,000 tons	14
1875	500,000 tons	12

These figures for a normal year, showing the amount of toilet soap used in a few countries, with the comparative death-rate in them, are extremely interesting:

Country	Consumption per head (toilet soap)	Deaths per 1,000
Denmark	1.5lb.	10.8
Germany	1.4lb.	11.1
Great Britain and Ireland	1.2lb.	12.0
Italy	1.0lb.	14.0
France	0.8lb.	15.6

The figures must, of course, be taken with caution and reserve. For instance, the death-rate figures for Great Britain and Ireland are brought up by the heavy rate in the Free State. In England and Wales alone it is only 11.4 per thousand, while in Southern Ireland it is 15. For the German figure I take the index under the Weimar Republic. Since the Hitler revolution the figure has gone up to 13, but then, circumstances are abnormal.

There are, of course, exceptional cases which prevent the death-rate moving exactly in accord with the consumption of toilet soap. For instance, the highest figure for soap is the American of 2lb. a head, and America has a death-rate of 11.3 per thousand. Climate, race and density of population are all important influences. But the general trend certainly throws a new light on the old line: What, no soap! So he died!

WASHING
the
WORLD

By George Edinger

A table of the total soap consumption of all kinds in the chief countries of the world is interesting to read, and the reader can draw his own conclusions from it.

Country	lbs. per head a year
British Isles	13
Austria	10
Belgium	20
Denmark	21
France	18
Germany	15
Holland	25
Italy	10
Yugo-Slavia	2
Poland	3
China	1/2
U.S.A.	22
Soviet Union	6

It is striking to contrast the figures for toilet soap only with those that denote the total consumption of soap of all kinds. Thus, Germany, which comes high on the list for the consumption of toilet soap at 1.4lb. a head of population compared with 0.8lb. in France, drops in her total consumption to the ratio of 15 to 18. In Britain the consumption of toilet soap works out at 1.2lb. a head out of a total consumption of 13lb.

So we use one pound a year to wash our hands and 17lb. each to wash our clothes and our walls, our wool and the coverings of silk cocoons; and to lubricate wire for wire drawing and soften hides for tanning.

Although the Romans learnt how to make soap 2,000 years ago out of goats' fat and the ashes of beech trees (they brought the art back from Gaul, into which it had been introduced by the Phoenician traders who settled at Marseilles), it did not come into England until the time of Richard II. And it

remained an expensive luxury till within living memory. For one thing it was extremely expensive to make till the discovery in the last century of a way to manufacture the necessary alkali out of common salt; and the introduction about the same time of coconut oil to replace the expensive olive oil. For another it was heavily taxed by successive British Governments, so that in 1852, when the tax was finally removed, the 100,000 tons made in this country (allowing a consumption of 4 lb. each) paid one million pounds to the Exchequer.

Although soap became available to all at a reasonable price after 1852, it was some time before the fact was appreciated. Between the outbreak of war in the Crimea early in September, 1854, and the arrival of Miss Florence Nightingale in November, the authorities at the base hospital in Scutari had managed to wash seven shirts.

But from then, the manufacture went ahead fast till it received in the last war a sudden stimulus that looks like undoing all that it has done to preserve human life, by revealing a new method of destroying it.

For it was suddenly discovered that the waste material after the soap was finished was glycerine, an indispensable component of the nitro-glycerine of which high-explosives are made. It is rather a melancholy comment in human progress that, whereas glycerine had been a by-product of soap till then, soap soon became a by-product of glycerine, the means to prolong life an incidental to the agent of its destruction.

STRANGE COINCIDENCES

I dare say a great number of people have at some time or other of their lives experienced some very strange coincidences.

Some of these happenings are really so startling that it would almost seem as if a spiritual spirit with a keen sense of humour were allowed at certain seasons to poke his nose into our affairs. I give here a few instances which have happened to myself and have made a deep impression on my mind.

The first coincidence occurred a good many years ago, when I was a young man of 25 or so. I had returned to Edinburgh after spending a few days in London on holiday, and one morning I received a letter from a lady friend in that city asking me to procure her, if possible, a spray of Scottish white heather. To tell the truth, I was a little bothered by this

request, simple as it was, as I had no idea where to procure the flower wanted. It worried me all that afternoon, but eventually I dismissed it from my mind.

Next morning on unlocking the door of my business premises I was amazed to find lying on the floor, four or five sprigs of beautiful white heather, fresh as the dew at which they had been plucked.

These had obviously been pushed through the letter-box, but as I had mentioned the matter to nobody, for what purpose this was done, and by whom, has remained from that day to this an unsolved mystery.

Racing Incidents

Another curious coincidence occurred some five years ago. I had received from the library a novel called "Double Life," by Grant Richards, and settled down for a comfortable evening's reading. The story was quite interesting, dealing with a young married woman who, without the knowledge of her husband, was engaging in an occasional "flirt" on the turf. She had surreptitiously purchased a race-horse and to get the result of the first race she bought an evening paper, opened it, and slowly ran her eye down the racing column. The first thing that caught her attention were the words in large letters, "Surprise win of Nant Coch."

I paused then—where had I just seen these words? Then I remembered. I rose hastily and reopened my newspaper and there at the head of the racing column, in large letters were the words, "Surprise win of Nant Coch. Wins by a short head at 20 to 1."

I interviewed Mr. Less, found everything satisfactory and proceeded to keep my appointment. Chatting away in a desultory fashion with my dentist friend, he mentioned casually he was going down town to get his hair cut. Just as casually I inquired where he generally got this operation performed. "Oh," he said, "I always go to Messrs. So-and-So, but there is only one man there I allow to cut my hair—a Mr. Less."

Ye God! out of Edinburgh's population of four hundred thousand inhabitants, he had to mention the man I had left ten minutes before. Queer, wasn't it?

J. C. O.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"I'm giving you just one week to pay those claims and you know I never stand for any monkey business."

White Paper On Defence

ORGANISING INDUSTRY FOR WAR WORK

FIRMS TO
LAY DOWN
PLANTGUARANTEE OF
PEACE TIME
ORDERS

(Continued from Page 5.)

"Our present sources of supply are the Government factories and the normal Government contractors, who, in peace, manufacture various types of armament."

"The Government factories are chiefly responsible for a specialised kind of output which is generally non-existent elsewhere. This includes the production of explosives and propellants, the filling of shells and cartridges and the manufacture of fuses, bombs, mines and torpedoes."

"To meet present requirements in these categories it will be necessary to extend or duplicate existing Government factories, and both vulnerability of site and the needs of the Special Areas will receive consideration."

"The normal Government contractors supply warships, aircraft, artillery, machine-guns, tanks, lorries and miscellaneous stores of every description."

"They also supply a great variety of articles for export and home consumption, and for both purposes they subcontract for materials, fittings and stores. To some extent it will be possible for them to contribute to the increased output required by extending their plant or workshops."

"But in the course of investigation it soon became apparent that, even for the purposes of the peace-time programme the field would have to be extended to other firms not normally engaged in armament work, and at the same time it was clear that this extension would to some extent assist in the establishment of the organisation necessary to ensure rapid expansion of production in time of war."

"In connection with the approved programme for the Royal Air Force, steps are already being taken to extend the field of production by placing orders with firms who do not ordinarily manufacture for the Force or for civil aviation. This process of extension will have to be further enlarged to meet the programmes for the Navy and Army, but even so something more will be required."

RESERVE SOURCE
OF SUPPLIES

"In order satisfactorily to provide for our needs both in peace and war, His Majesty's Government have decided to create a reserve source of supply which would be available in case of emergency."

"The method of procedure contemplated is to select a number of firms who do not normally make warlike stores but who are suitable for the purpose by reason of their experience and their possession of a skilled staff of engineers and workmen."

"Arrangements would then be made with these firms for the laying down of the necessary plant and machinery for a given output of selected articles and sufficient orders in peace time would be guaranteed to allow of the requisite training in the work of production."

"The particular circumstances will vary in connection with every firm and with different types of product. Wide elasticity of arrangements must therefore be provided for, but the underlying principle is that each selected firm, while maintaining and developing its normal civil trade, will agree to use its organisation and commercial structure to set up some measure of munition production and thus create the reserve source of supply."

SUPPLY OF
SKILLED LABOUR

"There remain two other important features of the Government's plans for the organisation of production which must be mentioned."

"The first concerns the supply of skilled labour, for which there will necessarily be a largely increased demand."

"In some of the skilled occupations there is already noticeable the shortage inevitable when large and sudden demands are made upon labour supplies after a period of depression."

"It will be for the industries concerned, with such guidance as the Government can give, to make sure that vital processes are not held up for want of the necessary craftsmen."

WHAT EXPERIENCE
HAS SHOWN

"The second point concerns costs and prices. His Majesty's Government are determined that the needs of the nation shall not serve to pile up extravagant profits for those who are called upon to meet them."

"They are confident that industry as a whole has no desire to exploit the situation, and indeed they have already received satisfactory assurances from the Federation of British Industries of their readiness to collaborate."

"But when regular contractors are required to work nearly to their full capacity on Government orders, and when large numbers of firms are asked to undertake work which is new to them and which will have to be produced on equipment of which they have had no previous experience, the ordinary methods of contracting do not offer adequate safeguards for ensuring that prices bear their proper relation to actual costs."

"His Majesty's Government have given much time and thought to this matter, and they have been materially aided by the experience gained during

White Paper in Brief

I. REASONS

1. For many years necessary defence expenditure has been postponed in the hope of disarmament.
2. Britain, unlike other nations, cannot concentrate her forces in limited areas. She has calls to meet all over the world.
3. The Italo-Abyssinian dispute has shown that British interests in the Mediterranean and Red Sea could be safeguarded, but only at the cost of denuding other areas.
4. Our present weakness would prevent us from playing our due part in enforcing collective security.
5. Germany, France, Belgium, Italy, Russia, Japan, the United States, are all rearming.

II. PROGRAMME

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| <p>(a) Navy</p> <p>2 new battleships to be begun in 1937.</p> <p>Modernisation of existing battleships.</p> <p>Increase of cruisers to 70.</p> <p>5 new cruisers in 1936 programme.</p> <p>Steady replacement of destroyers and submarines.</p> <p>New aircraft-carrier.</p> <p>Increase of men by 6,000 by March 31, 1937.</p> <p>"A considerable expansion" of the Fleet Air Arm.</p> | <p>(b) Air Force</p> <p>Last year's programme of 1,500 first-line aircraft increased to 1,750 for R.A.F.</p> <p>Larger real increase.</p> <p>12 more squadrons for Empire defence.</p> <p>4 more squadrons for co-operation with the Territorial Army.</p> <p>2 more squadrons for co-operation with the Regular Army.</p> <p>Increased recruiting.</p> <p>Increased reserves in men and material.</p> | <p>(c) Army</p> <p>4 new battalions of infantry.</p> <p>Reorganisation and re-equipment, especially of Field Artillery.</p> <p>Improvement of equipment and training of Territorial Army.</p> <p>Modernisation of coast defences.</p> <p>Reorganisation of anti-aircraft defences in South-East England.</p> <p>Improved housing.</p> |
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III. CO-ORDINATION

The White Paper adds nothing to the statement of the Government's plans made by the Prime Minister on February 27.

IV. MOBILISATION OF INDUSTRY AND LABOUR

Industry to be organised so that it can rapidly change over from commercial to war production.

Extension and duplication of Government factories. Vulnerability and the needs of the Special Areas to be taken into account.

Orders to be given to firms not now making armaments, so that they will have the plant and skill available in time of war.

Steps to be taken to remedy shortage of skilled labour.

No extravagant profits.

Committees to be set up in each trade to control orders.

Control of prices by inspection of books, technical costings, etc.

V. FINANCE

No delay "by the over-elaboration of financial safeguards."

"Any attempt to estimate the total cost would be premature at this stage."

Service Estimates "Must
In Future Be Larger"

the last few months by the Air Ministry working under conditions of exceptional pressure.

CONTRACTS WILL
BE SUPERVISED

"On the one hand, it is important to retain the goodwill of industry, for in peace time firms cannot be compelled to undertake contracts on terms which they consider unreasonable."

"On the other hand, difficulties are bound to arise in dealing with so many and such various sources of supply, where there are not only contractors, but also sub-contractors and sub-sub-contractors concerned."

"There will be new problems where firms require financial assistance in order to lay down new plant and hold it at the Government's disposal, and these cases will be particularly urgent, since until they are met it will not be possible to make a start."

"It will be necessary also to co-ordinate the demands of the three Services so that proper priority shall be observed and competition between them, which might lead to higher prices, avoided."

"His Majesty's Government believe that all these difficulties can be overcome through the organisation they have in mind."

"As regards the principal contractors, contact will be made with them by the Service Departments, while in the case of sub-contractors in secondary or ancillary sections of organised industry, it is intended that communication shall pass through small committees to be appointed by the trade organisations themselves."

"Control to prevent excessive profits will be effectively exercised by inspection of books, adequate technical costings, audits on behalf of the State and arbitration in cases of dispute."

"The Government are satisfied that this can be done without im-

pairing the confidence and enterprise of contractors undertaking novel and difficult tasks.

"Co-ordination of Service requirements will be effected through the existing Principal Supply Officers Committee, Organisation of the Committee of Imperial Defence, and the new Deputy Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence will be able to supervise the whole system of supply and correct any deficiencies that may be found to arise."

"Treasury control will, of course, be maintained throughout the whole field. It will be important, however, to see that the work is not delayed by the over-elaboration of financial safeguards, and new methods of procedure are being worked out which will ensure the effectiveness of financial control without impairing the continuity of progress."

"From what has already been said as to the necessary flexibility of this programme, and in view of the uncertainty which must exist as to the rate of progress possible over so large a field, it will be realised that any attempt to estimate the total cost of the measures described would be premature at this stage."

"The original estimates for the coming year, which will shortly be before the House, will themselves require to be supplemented by provision for further defence measures referred to in this Paper; these for the following years must necessarily be larger."

"In the absence of any scheme of general disarmament it must be anticipated that the annual cost of maintenance for the recognised Services must remain on a higher level, and will in all likelihood substantially exceed the original estimates about to be submitted."

"PREMATURE TO
ESTIMATE COST"

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During the past century every gentleman had his collection of "Tschibuk" (a meerschaum pipe with a long stem), and the inevit-

New Use For Meerschaum

DYING INDUSTRY IS
REVIVED—FOR MILADY

Budapest, Mar. 23.

The *Magyarország* reports that the dying meerschaum industry has been revived by the new fashion of using meerschaum for cosmetic purposes.

Pieces of polished meerschaum are now being used by women for smoothing lines from the face and absorbing grease, and are proving a rival to cosmetic preparations.

This use of meerschaum for beautifying purposes was known a century ago, when ground meerschaum was used as faced powder by the beauties of the time.

The meerschaum cutting industry started in Hungary about two centuries ago, and was a flourishing trade, as gentlemen and peasants and burghers smoked meerschaum pipes as a matter of course. Simple pipes for the peasants cost

GARCIA HERO ILL

Lieut.-Col. Andrew S. Rowan, whose epic exploit at the outbreak of the Spanish-American War inspired Elbert Hubbard to write "A Message to Garcia" is seriously ill in his San Francisco home. In 1898 Rowan made a hazardous trip through Cuban war lines, contacted the Cuban military leader, and returned with information that hastened the end of the war.



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BROADCASTA Talk by the Empire
Programme Director

IMPERIAL AFFAIRS

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.30 p.m. Excerpts from Grand Opera.

Arias—Willow Song ("Otello") (Verdi); Hail Mary, Full of Grace ("Otello") (Verdi); Elisabeth Rethberg (Soprano); Orchestra—"Mannion" (Fantasia (Massenet); Arias—Weep Not, Lull ("Turandot") (Puccini); Nobody shall sleep ("Turandot") (Puccini); Alessandro Valente (Tenor); Orchestra—Die Flodermäus Selection (J. Strauss).

7.30-7.47 p.m. A Recital by Fritz Kreisler (Violin).
1. Londonderry Air (arr. Kreisler); 2. A May Breeze (Mendelssohn, arr. Kreisler); 3. Shepherd's Madrigal (Kreisler); 4. Gypsy Caprice (Kreisler).

7.47-8 p.m. Four Songs by Malcolm McEachern (Bass).
1. The Cobbler's Song from "Chu Chin Chow"; 2. I'm a Roamer (Mendelssohn); 3. Devonshire Cream and Cider (Sanderson); 4. Up from Somerset (Sanderson).
8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.45 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Instrumental—I Cover the Waterfront... arranged for Eight Pianists; Vocal—It's Written All over your face; The Object of my affection... The Boswell Sisters; Castanets Solos—Serenata... La Argentina; Vocal—Where the arches used to be... Flanagan and Allen; Organ Solos—Film Hits of the Moment... Sydney Torch; Vocal—Ma Sweet as Apple Cider... The Mills Brothers; Instrumental—Canadian Capers, Kitten on the Keys... The Six Keyboard Kings; Orchestra—Medley of Lello Stuart's Songs.

8.45-9.15 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

8.45 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry." A talk by the Empire Programme Director.
9 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.
9.15-9.40 p.m. The New Mayfair Orchestra.

Selection—The Dubarry; Britelodia (Selection of British Melodies); Selection—The Cat and the Fiddle.
9.40-10 p.m. Songs by Dick Powell (Tenor).

1. The Words are in my heart; 2. Down Sunshine Lane; 3. Outside of you; 4. Lonely Gondolier; 5. Lullaby of Broadway; 6. I'm goin' shopping with you.

10 p.m. Big Ben.
10.10-10.15 p.m. Dance Music.
10.15-10.30 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

A Talk on "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodson.

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.
11 p.m. Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

The following wavelengths and frequencies are used by Daventry:

Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	8,800 k.c.	45.55 metres
GSD	9,010 k.c.	44.5 metres
GSC	9,280 k.c.	43.2 metres
GSD	11,700 k.c.	25.6 metres
GSD	12,470 k.c.	24.0 metres
GSP	15,140 k.c.	19.8 metres
GSD	17,790 k.c.	16.8 metres
GSD	21,470 k.c.	13.9 metres
GSI	25,240 k.c.	11.9 metres
GSI	31,840 k.c.	9.4 metres
GSI	41,110 k.c.	7.3 metres

Transmission 1

(G.S.B., G.S.B.)
2.15 p.m. Big Ben. "With and Without Prejudice" (Gala Programme).
2 p.m. A Recital to Kendall Taylor (Pianoforte).
Greenwich Time Signal at 2.15 p.m.
2.30 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry."
3.45 p.m. A Recital by Ruth Perry (New Central Hall).

Transmission 2

(G.S.B., G.S.B.)
7.40 p.m. The Songs of the Sea.
7.40 p.m. Talk "Conquest of the Air—The Significance of Air Power."
Greenwich Time Signal at 7 p.m.
8 p.m. The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.
8.45 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry."
9 p.m. The News.
9.15 p.m. An Organ Recital by Margaret Newton from the College of Technology, Manchester.
9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.S.B.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. A Recital by Edwin Hambro (Pianoforte).
10.15 p.m. Talk "Imperial Affairs."
10.30 p.m. The Birmingham Theatre Royal Orchestra.
10.45 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry."
11.15 p.m. Harry Eastman's Quintet, with Vernon Adecock (Xylophone and Vibraphone).
11.30 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry."
12.15 a.m. Dance Music.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.45 a.m. The News.
1.00 a.m. Dance Music.
1 a.m. Close down.

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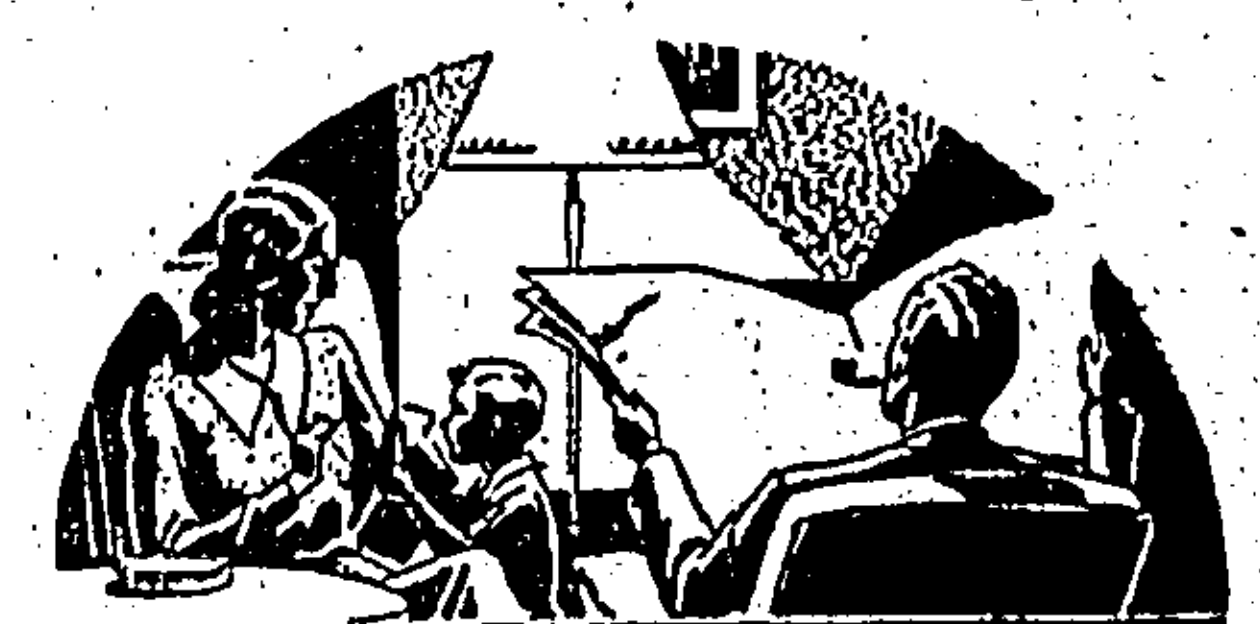
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TSUI BROTHERS DO IT: RUMJAHNS DEFEATED

YOUNG CHINESE COUPLE'S HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT

HOW K.C.C. WON THE CRICKET LEAGUE

MCAVOY WANTS TO BE A "HEAVY"

Chance Against Petersen

When Jack McAvoy comes down to fight Jack Petersen at Earl's Court in April he will have the comforting moral support that no one in the north believes he can be beaten.

What is more, the backers of Petersen are just as hard to find in the south—apart from Wales, where, naturally, he is regarded in the same unshakable light as McAvoy.

Petersen has disappointed us often, but his form in his last fight with Harvey was definitely good. McAvoy has captured the imagination with his smashing wins in America. His admirers think there is nothing in boxing to-day to equal the power of his punching.

Maybe they are right. But Petersen's punch was just as famous not so long ago. He is still young enough to have kept it.

AN 8 LB. MARGIN

McAvoy will be giving away weight and height but not to an extent that should make any difference.

That leaves a margin of 8 lbs.—not a vital amount to a man of McAvoy's calibre.

The one big difference is in reach—Petersen 80½ ins., McAvoy 73 ins. That 7½ ins. in favour of Petersen may be a big factor in the fight.

A GRAND BEGINNING

McAvoy's ambitions now are purely heavy-weight. In a cable message from New York he said:

"I have fought all the leading light-heavy-weights and middle-weights in England. I want more and better fights, not the only thing I can do is to take on heavy-weights."

"But I want to make my heavy-weight debut at home. Petersen is a grand beginning."

One report states that McAvoy is aiming at a fight with Joe Louis, the "Brown Bomber."

Well, he might be able to give half a stone to Petersen, but it is to be hoped he never takes the same risk with Louis. That would be tempting providence too much.

As a middle-weight he is supreme. As a light-heavy-weight he may win the British heavy-weight title, but as a serious contender for world heavy-weight honours he is not to be regarded in the same class as Louis.

NICHOLS AGAIN CHAMPION

WINS BADMINTON TITLE

R. C. F. Nichols regained the men's singles title at the All-England Badminton Championships, at the Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster, when he beat R. M. White (Liverpool) who, like himself, had previously won it twice, in the final, 18-16, 17-11, 15-10.

Lack of regular tournament play had an adverse effect on White's game, in which his famous smash was little in evidence, but Nichols was clever, and he did not offer White many chances of a kill. Nichols might have won in two games, for in the set of 5 in the second game he led by 4-3.

The left-handed Miss Thelma Kingsbury won the women's singles championship for the first time by beating Mrs. H. S. Ober (Sussex) who was also rather short of singles practice, in the final, 5-11, 11-3, 11-2. In both the first and second games there was a sequence at one time of seven blank hands, and this proved that much of the play was defensive. Miss Kingsbury owed her victory more to her stamina and acrobatic retrieving than to her stroke-play.

Men's Singles.—R. C. F. Nichols (Middlesex) beat R. M. White (Lancashire) (holder), 18-16, 17-11, 15-10.

Women's Singles.—Miss T. Kingsbury (Hampshire) beat Mrs. H. S. Ober (Sussex) (holder), 5-11, 11-3, 11-2.

Women's Doubles.—Mrs. M. Henderson (Hampshire) and Miss T. Kingsbury (Hampshire) (holders) beat Mrs. L. S. Ober (Sussex) and Miss D. Dowson (Sussex), 15-10, 6-10, 17-12.

Men's Doubles.—R. C. F. Nichols and C. P. Harrington (1) beat R. M. White and R. C. H. John (2), 15-10, 15-11.

TSUI WAI-PUI SETS A NEW STANDARD OF VOLLEYING



TSUI WAI-PUI—He sparried.

VICTORY WAS MERITED

(By "Veritas")

Two brothers, playing inspired tennis, were yesterday responsible for the dethronement of Hongkong's doubles champions, S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn when they met on the stand court of the Cricket Club in the third round of the current championship. For eleven years the Rumjahns cousins have reigned supreme and fate, indulging in a fanciful twist of irony decreed that they should yield their crown at the very time when, to all intents and purposes, opposition was at its weakest.

Everybody who has had the opportunity of studying the progress of the Tsui brothers appreciated that they were capable of giving the champions a real game, but I think very few indeed would have been bold enough to envisage their beating the Rumjahns. It was, in the purest sense of that much maligned phrase, a brilliant victory; achieved on merits and the outcome of a tennis display which has not been surpassed in the Colony championships for many years.

E. L. Andrews would have enjoyed watching the match for he would have seen put into practice by Tsui Wai-pui the advice he gave Hongkong players four years ago when he emphasised the necessity for more aggressive volleying.

NEW CUT-OFF VOLLEY

Yesterday Tsui Wai-pui showed Hongkong how effective can be the cut-off volley made with the racket travelling forward. It was his ace shot and it scored consistently. Time and again it has been made very clear that to beat the Rumjahns from the net one must pull out a faster volley. To the ordinary semi-defensive chop volley they can play all day and night and still come out on top, but in this match they were beaten by the sheer speed of the ball from the racket which found them caught on the wrong foot or gave them no chance of making an adequate return.

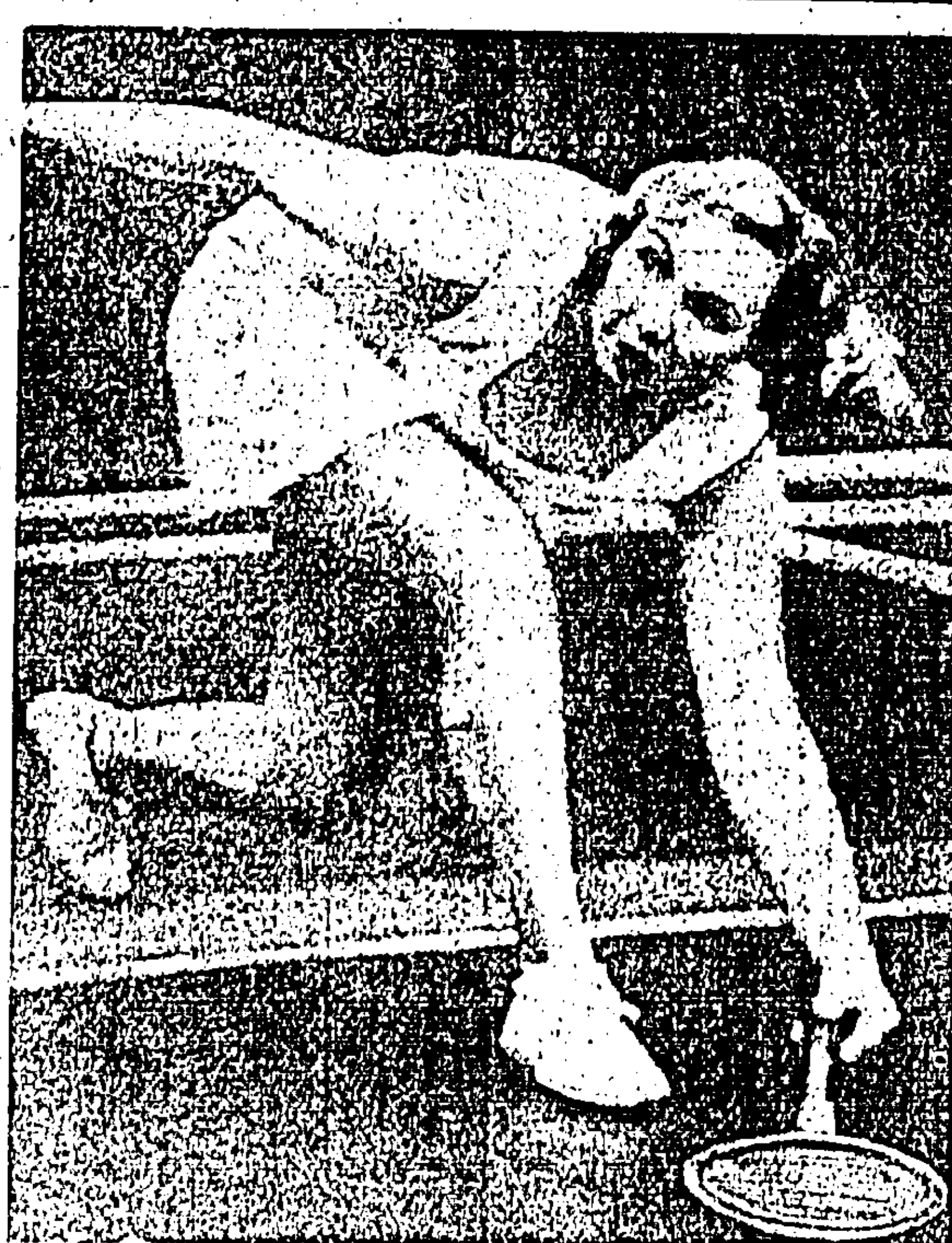
Another striking feature of the winners' display was their magnificent teamwork. The Rumjahns, standing has always been recognised as pre-eminent in local tennis, but they could give no pointers to the Tsui brothers, who, with but two exceptions, were always in the right place, and even when on the run to retrieve a lob, succeeded in making the correct return.

Chief individual honours must be accorded Tsui Wai-pui, whose generalship was only equalled by his daring and spectacular shots. Tsui exposed his whole repertoire of strokes, and rarely did he fail to make them point-winning. He was happiest and most effective from the forecourt from where he volleyed with beautiful precision and accuracy, varying this with perfectly timed lob volleys, chopped backhands from half court which made the ball go away from acute angles, and well disguised lobs which sent his Cousins scurrying back to the back-lines.

Tsui Wai-pui also served with more than ordinary accuracy, his heavily topped first deliveries making more than usual pace. He has certainly never played better tennis in Hongkong.

JUST FOR A MOMENT—!

One feels too that it is difficult to overstate the excellence of Tsui Wai-pui's performance. His big display (Continued on Page 9)



Fine action study of Miss Thelma Kingsbury, caught by the camera while winning the All England badminton championship from Mrs. H. S. Ober.

TWO BADMINTON MATCHES IN THE ONE EVENING

RECREIO POLISHING OFF THEIR OUTSTANDING FIXTURES

Recreio "A" played two matches last evening in the badminton league, beating Sailors and Soldiers Home in the men's doubles by nine games to love and the S. and S. mixed team by the same margin.

St. Andrew's "A" also consolidated their position in the men's division by beating V.R.C. seven games to two. V.R.C. turned up one short and had to concede three games.

MEN'S DOUBLES
RECREIO "A" v. S. and S. HOME
Played at King's Park, Recreio winning by nine games to love.

St. Andrew's "A" v. V.R.C.
Played at St. Andrew's Church Hall, the home team winning by seven games to two.

St. John's "A" v. S. and S. HOME
Played at King's Park last night, Recreio beating St. John's by nine games to love.

Home by 9 games to nil in the Mixed

LEAGUE TABLE	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Recreio "A"	20 19 1 128 16 38
St. Andrew's	18 17 1 112 23 34
"A"	19 15 4 108 64 30
C.R.C.	19 14 5 111 45 28
Elliot Hall "B"	17 12 5 83 43 22
Recreio "B"	15 10 6 73 44 20
St. John's	13 8 10 73 89 10
V.R.C.	12 8 11 66 93 16
Kowloon Tong	12 4 14 49 95 8
St. Andrew's	22 3 19 49 104 6
"B"	19 12 7 34 102 2
S. and S. Home	18 1 17 30 148 2

MIXED DOUBLES

At King's Park last night, Recreio beat St. John's and Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 9 games to nil in the Mixed

ENGLISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

London, Mar. 30.

Two matches were played in the English football league to-day. In the second division Southampton and won by the only goal scored, while in the northern section of the third division Chesterfield, although on their own ground, could only play a goalless draw with Stockport.—*Reuter*.

Doubles Division.	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
J. J. Remello and Miss C. Silva (Recreio "A")	beat W. Sprague and Mrs. Edwards 21-0; beat C. Taylor and Mrs. Edwards 21-0; beat H. Hall and Mrs. Brown 21-0.
M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A")	beat Sprague and Edwards 21-0; beat Taylor and Edwards 21-0; beat Hall and Brown 21-0.
M. Beltrao and Miss O. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")	beat Sprague and Edwards 21-0; beat Taylor and Edwards 21-0; beat Hall and Brown 21-0.

LEAGUE TABLE	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Recreio "A"	14 13 1 81 18 35
C.R.C.	15 13 2 103 29 29
Fire Brigade	10 13 3 107 37 23
Recreio "B"	15 8 7 76 41 16
St. John's	14 7 7 64 12 14
St. Andrew's	14 6 8 48 78 12
Kowloon Tong	13 3 13 40 93 6
Talkoo	11 2 9 21 78 4
S. and S. Home	15 0 16 21 114 0

MACKAY'S BATTING WAS AMONG HIGHSPOTS OF MATCH

GOSANO BOWLED WELL BUT WITHOUT LUCK

(By R. Abbit)

Playing the right type of cricket, Kowloon Cricket Club swept on to a decisive and well merited victory against University on Saturday and thus won the Senior League shield. R. Abbit, the Colony's leading cricket commentator, who watched the match, gives the following special description.

Starting in a very humble way this season, the K.C.C. could have found plenty of people to lay them about seven to one against winning the Shield. Both the Army and the Club were fancied in some quarters while as usual the I.R.C. had many supporters. As we all know, until a fortnight ago the I.R.C. seemed to have the Shield in their pockets, but a surprise defeat by the University made all the difference.

The K.C.C. had been lucky to find their batsmen getting back to good form after some period of collapse, while their great weakness as a team, their bowling, was helped enormously by the return of Frank Goodwin, their skipper, who always bowled steadily and sometimes brilliantly. S. V. Gittins, too, developed as a change bowler, getting many wickets with his slow off turners. Arliss, after an early draw and another one later against the I.R.C., they pulled off their five other matches to lead the Indians by one point and to win the Shield.

One of the keenest sides in the Colony, and one of the best balanced, they thoroughly deserve their success.

GOSANO WINS THE TOSSE.

The first step in the contest at Pokfulam on Saturday was taken when Gosano won the toss and (as Goodwin would have done in his place) sent his opponents in to bat. The game started at thirteen minutes past two—both sides were one short I gather—but in view of the remoteness of the ground this was not so bad.

Gosano bowled from the Pavilion end as usual and Ozorio shared the attack. The usual Kowloon pair opened and they stayed together for half an hour during which time they had put on 37 runs. Of the two Law had made 25 very nicely and he got out in trying to force the pace, hitting across a straight one from Gosano.

Meantime Fincher had been in considerable difficulties at times with Gosano and was rather lucky not to be out on at least two occasions. Neither Mackay who came in first wicket seemed to be able to get the ball away and after 40 minutes play he had only scored 14 runs.

CHANGING THE BOWLING

After he had bowled for 45 minutes Ozorio was given a snell and P. Power relieved him—a mistake I think, as he was bowling much the same sort of stuff, only slower. As it turned out Blake, a left-hander, would have been a better change than P. Power, could not be blamed as Blake, I think, had not been able to play very much and there was no reason to assume he would bowl as usefully as he subsequently did.

However, easy though Power seemed, the batsmen did not seem to get him away, and it looked as if they ought to have batted a bit more, though the steady fielding was very keen and saved no end of runs. Meanwhile Fincher did hit Gosano for two very nice fours running but off the next ball he must have been very nearly l.b.w.—the bowler and wicket keeper both appealing very confidently.

GOSANO OFF

After bowling an hour Gosano put on Ozorio in his own place and changed Blake for Power. The Varsity skipper had bowled very well, for at this period his figures were 11-1-23-11. Teddy Fincher had taken an hour over his first 28 runs. Ozorio however did not seem to take kindly to the Pavilion end and sent down several long hops which were well and truly hooked, chiefly by Mackay. Indeed from now on to a period about 20 minutes before they declared the Kowloon men got most of their runs from hooking and leg side play, and seemed singularly unwilling to hit the pitched-up ball. Unfortunately the Varsity bowlers got on to the short side about now.

FINCHER DEMISSION

Gosano soon resumed and at 87 Blake had Fincher l.b.w. for a steady 55. His brother succeeded him and both batsmen now began to lash out. Gosano went off again for Creole, leaving Blake to hold down the other end, which he did fairly successfully, though Ernie Fincher scored a most curious four to longstop from a ball which seemed to go under his bat, which seemed to go under his bat, which seemed to go under his bat.

Next over the same player on-drove Ozorio tremendously hard, the ball never rising above shoulder height and yet reaching Power who was standing 25 yards at least very fine behind the bowler. He had no time to move to it but took a beautiful catch about the level of his boot-laces (168-3-31).

A BRILLIANT CATCH

"E.F." had played exactly the right sort of innings for his side, but I should mention that Mackay was also playing beautiful cricket, his hooking especially being delightful, while he seemed to have got over his earlier disinclination to jump in and drive.

Hung, slashed at once and Tsui made a nice catch at deep mid-wicket off Blake who had resumed for Gosano. (160-4-1). At 4 p.m. with the score at 173 (one scoring book I thought had it down as 172.1) Goodwin declared. He was entirely right to do so. A draw was as bad as a loss, and though his bowling was not very strong, he had the knowledge that the Varsity had had a pretty firing hour and three quarters on what was easily the hottest day we have had for months!

Incidentally of the big scorers Mackay (74 not out) hit thirteen fours, Ernie six and Teddy Fincher five. (Continued on Page 9)

Ice Hockey Protest Stops Match

U.S. TEAM'S SENSATION

A "bomb" was dropped into the British Ice Hockey world last night when the American Olympic team refused to play an exhibition match against an all-star team from Empress Stadium, Earl's Court. They gave as their reason that four of the Empress Stadium players had been suspended by the Canadian Amateur Ice Hockey Association. However, British ice-hockey authorities say that they have had no official indication of such suspensions.

Thousands of people who went to Empress Stadium last night to see what was expected to be one of the season's most exciting matches were greatly disappointed.

1,000 TURN AWAY

Special men were posted outside the Stadium announcing that the American team would not appear, but that another game had been substituted. The crowd seemed to take the disappointment in good spirit, and about 3,000 paid their admission into the rink. Perhaps another thousand preferred to go elsewhere for their entertainment.

The four players whom the American claim have been suspended are Scotty McAlpine, Don Willson, Gar Preston, Howie Peterson.

PUZZLED

McAlpine, Peterson, and Willson are star players with the Earl's Court Rangers; Preston plays right wing for the Kensington Corinthians. The substitute game arranged was between these two teams. Every one connected with ice hockey is mystified at the turn of events, because the American Olympic team played exhibition matches with all the British teams before they went to Germany to compete in the Olympic Games.

However, it is said that the Canadian Amateur Ice Hockey Association suspended a large number of Canadian players who are with English teams this winter at a special meeting at Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

PSYCHOLOGISTS SEEKING A CURE FOR "PUNCH-DRUNK" BOXERS

(By Trevor Wignall)

The very interesting news has reached me that the Psychological Department of Guy's Hospital are engaged in an inquiry into the present condition of boxers who have suffered either mentally or physically as the result of heavy punishment taken in the long.

The research, which it is hoped will determine the neurological and psychological changes that have taken place, will probably occupy several months.

A number of well-known doctors are interested in the subject, but one of their troubles is that they cannot induce a sufficient number of men to subject themselves to examination. I am, therefore, asked to state that the department will be very glad of any help that can be offered them.

I strongly recommend this course to those whose sight has been affected, and to those other who have fallen victims to the condition called punch-drunk. It is quite possible they will be benefited, while there is the further likelihood that something will be discovered that will be of the greatest service to men who are fighting to-day.

A doctor mentioned to me yesterday that medical science is not even yet certain about the causes of knock-outs, or of the effects they produce. The spectacle of former pugilists who have lost their sight, or who hitlingly walk on their heels, is always a painful one, and the wonder to me is that an investigation was not conducted long ago.

I could mention the names of many who are in a sad condition as a consequence of the blows they received. One of the most famous in the world has still to take constant treatment because of the state of his eyes; not so long ago he told me that they were worrying him almost to death.

The inquiry that is now being made is an important one, but difficult to be created for it is a sufficient number of men do not offer themselves for examination.

One or two will not be nearly enough, but I am very hopeful that a score or more will communicate with the hospital without delay.

They will be doing good to themselves, and to others who will follow them.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP-DECIDING CRICKET MATCH FULLY DESCRIBED

FAST BOWLING BY ROBIN LEE

(Continued from Page 8.)

Gosano and Ozorio had a pretty gruelling time but worked very hard—the former was distinctly unlucky on several occasions early on—and Blake did his share of keeping the runs down. Indeed he had on paper the best analysis. I give the figures which are interesting:

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gosano	17	61	1	
Ozorio	14	1	69	1
Power	2	1	4	0
Blake	9	3	33	2

A BAD START

At 4.15 the Varsity set out to make 174 runs in two hours—by no means an impossible task on the small ground. It seemed vital to me that their first wicket should make a good start, as the K.C.C. innings had shown. "If that believeth shall not make haste," which is another way of saying that Rido is too impetuous a batsman to risk against the first freshness of the bowling if you can arrange so it was. Robert Lee

opened from the tennis-courts end and after Rido had glanced his first ball beautifully to leg for four, he sent down a maiden, from the last ball of which there was a narrow appeal for a catch at the wicket. He did not think however that Rido was very near it.

It was at once obvious that Lee was bowling much faster than he has done this season, and also that he seemed to like the matting. He had three slips, a backward point and a deep third man. Goodwin bowled at the other end and for a time just plugged away quietly, leaving things to Lee. In the latter's second over there was a dropped catch that might have lost the Shield as Pong snatched one. Smith at first slip, the catch was low down but it should have been caught.

However, as it turned out, it made little difference for Pong was quite at sea with R. Lee and was just hanging out his bat at them. Blake took him smartly behind the sticks off the first ball of the third over. Gosano very nearly gave a chance off his first ball but it pitched well short of Smith and shot on his shin for a single. And then off the last ball of the over came a tragedy! Rido had let there go past his off stump, and the last was nearly a long hop—but no ball to hit so early on. He cut at it and gave Smith a chance to redeem himself, which was promptly accepted. (8-2-5).

GOSANO BEATEN BY GOODWIN

Practically everything hinged now on Gosano, with a later batsman. One felt that, could he keep up an end, anything might happen. But when only 17 runs had been scored he was ousted by Goodwin, amid cheers from the K.C.C. spectators. I have never seen a clearer case of how little one can tell save from plumb behind the bowler's arm. Not only to me but to others it looked as if the ball had pitched clear of the off stick and Gosano had pulled away to have more room to cut it; but the ball seemed to turn in and take the top of the stick. Actually checking from both batsman and bowler, I found that the ball had pitched just clear of the leg stump and had come up from leg and taken the wicket.

Gosano's shot was a bad one—for he had moved his feet at all I should have thought it would have been into his wicket. But I must confess—frankly, shall we say?—that I have never before suspected Goodwin of a leg break! However it was 17-3-6.

POWER AGAIN

The Varsity seemed to be done with but as a matter of fact though K.C.C. lost the decision, there were several interesting innings played. Power who came in to bat seemed in no way perturbed by the situation, and after a couple of nice leg shots, he cracked R. Lee to deep long on for four just to show that the University had their tails up still.

But disaster was to come at the other end. Goodwin sent down a loose full toss which Tata sent to the long-leg boundary with a one-handed shot that seemed to be entirely defensive. However three balls later he snickered into the slips and Smith brought off a brilliant effort scooping up a very low one and securing it at the second—or possibly third—attempt. (25-4-4).

Next over Power made a very pretty cover drive off Lee but the next over he played on the ground. It was bad luck as he seemed to get the ball pretty well in the middle of the bat, but it must have been spinning tremendously. 34-6-15.

TWO STANDS

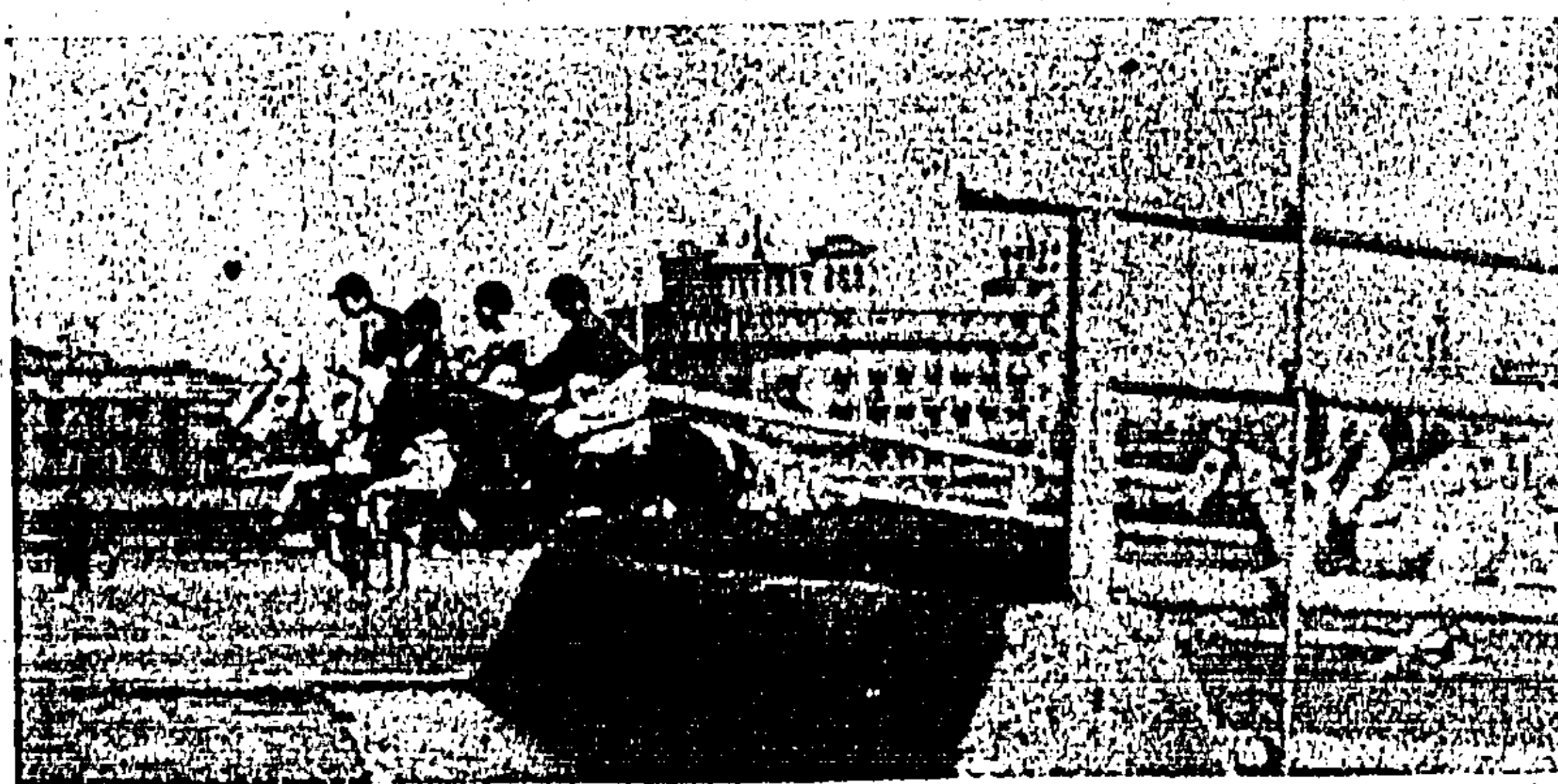
Just about this time the K.C.C. attack seemed to slacken and at one or two periods they seemed to have rather jeopardized their chances of winning as Blake began to play a very good defensive knock, varied with one or two pretty leg hits. Ozorio also seemed at ease and hit boundaries off both Willie Hung and R. Lee. Then at 5.10, (as usual when in a bit of a jam), Goodwin put on Gittins and Ozorio crashed a half volley straight at the K.C.C. captain who caught it—amid, I repeat, some both cheers and laughter. 56-6-11. B. K. Ng went at once, after four lves had come and Gittins had two wickets for no runs, but Luke put him past third man for four—rather an edged shot.

Again a stand resulted. Smith at first slip, the catch was low down but it should have been caught. However, as it turned out, it made little difference for Pong was quite at sea with R. Lee and was just hanging out his bat at them. Blake took him smartly behind the sticks off the first ball of the third over. Gosano very nearly gave a chance off his first ball but it pitched well short of Smith and shot on his shin for a single. And then off the last ball of the over came a tragedy! Rido had let there go past his off stump, and the last was nearly a long hop—but no ball to hit so early on. He cut at it and gave Smith a chance to redeem himself, which was promptly accepted. (8-2-5).

This was just what I feared about Rido. He told me that he had no intention of playing at anything outside the off stump and short and that the shot was made automatically. I expect a lot of us know just what he means. It is the same impulse that makes us hang on five dollars just before the bell rings! And the pony never wins.

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Three greys and a brunette took the grandstand jump in perfect style first time round in the steepchase at Shanghai last week, presenting a magnificent sight. Sammy confirmed the opinion of the majority and came in a winner by half a length after a thrilling finish to one of the finest 'chase seen on the course for years.

Rumjahn Cousins Beaten In Spectacular Match

(Continued from Page 8.)

advantage was lack of experience and the possibility of his nerve failing him at the critical stage of such a critical match. Just for a moment in the final set when he made three terrible blunders to lose the sixth game on his brother's service, one suspected that he was going to crack up, but he came back with renewed confidence and ability to hold his own service in the eighth game and it was his wonderful overhand smash taken as he ran backwards which proved the match-winning point.

Tsui Yun-pui was less aggressive than his brother, but he was very reliable, particularly off the ground. His volleying was inclined to be defensive, but he often succeeded in finding a gap between the opposition to tuck the ball away for a valuable point. Only in his overhand work did Yun-pui show any signs of weakness. Invariably he took the ball, and he was too late catching it too near the neck of his racket. Almost every time it meant an overhit ball.

Indubitably his best shot was return of service by which he made such delicate placements that the Rumjahns were forced into defensive volleys, thereby paving the way for Tsui Wai-pui's gorgeous interceptions.

WITH COLOURS FLYING
Of the losers one can say, (and salute them for it) that they went down to defeat with colours flying. They all but pulled off a typical victory when they recovered from 1-4 to 3-4 in the final set. It came, no surprise to see them lose the first stanza, and when they had squandered matters in the second one was naturally led to believe that they would make their customary burst of brilliance to carry the match.

And it was not for the want of trying that they failed. They lightened up their game tremendously only to meet with unexpected opposition and an array of strokes to which they had to cry best.

If the truth be told it must be conceded that at no stage did H. D. Rumjahn touch true form. Now and again he scored with a characteristic volley, but over the whole match his net work was much below par. And where he failed on the volley Sirdar crept overhead. Smash after smash in the concluding stages were put into the net or outside the court lines, and these shots told their own story.

There were dazzling bouts of volleying reminiscent of the stuff one sees in first class international tennis. The champions too used everything they knew in tactics, all Blake seems likely to do best, being a caddy-handed bowler as well as a good defensive bat.

The bowling figures were
O. M. R. W.
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Goodwin 11 4 22 3
Hung 3 1 6 0
Gittins 5 3 12 2
Smith 3 2 2 0
I see I have written at such length that you will have to wait for the epic of the Civil Service until Friday.

ternately challenging the Tsui's invulnerability overhead, off the ground or on the volley. Sometimes Sirdar's raking forehand drive scored outright, but once it had lost its element of surprise and the Tsui brothers had positioned themselves for it, they turned the shot into a winning volley. While it is true the Rumjahns' general form was not entirely up to the mark, one must pay tribute to flashes of sparkling tennis from them both. It was these flashes, plus the steady brilliance of the Tsui brothers which makes the encounter rank as one of the finest ever seen on local courts.

Tsui were 100 per cent. worthy winners, but no champions could lose their crown more honourably than did the Rumjahns. The crowd had reason to feel grateful as well as excited for such an entertaining match.

THE RESULTS

The following are the results:
Open Singles.—E. C. Fincher beat Lee Hui-ngok 6-1, 6-3; Paul Kong beat R. Blyth 6-0, 6-0.
Open Doubles.—Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui beat S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn 6-3, 6-7, 6-4.

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Scheduled to commence at 4.30 p.m., the game did not begin until 6.15 p.m. Even then the Club was a man short, H. F. Shields failing to turn up, and the Club had to play with only ten men throughout.

But for the determined work of the Club defenders, the Army would have won by a wider margin. As it was, they attacked incessantly but succeeded in getting through only twice. J. E. Potter, the Club captain, worked hard at right back and as a result of his efforts, Lal Singh and Nolan, on the left wing, were not as dangerous as their combination promised to be. W. A. Read, at centre-half, was given a trying time, but the indifferent form shown by Mohd. Afzar rendered his work easier.

A. Bates occupied the Club goal in the first half, and J. L. Coatesworth filled the vacancy in the second. Both had a comparatively easy time, due partly to the success of the backs and the bad shooting of the Army forwards.

Lt. Col. Nolan put the Army ahead early in the first-half, but the Club defenders kept their charge intact until after half-time. The Army's second goal was scored by Lal Singh. Towards the end, Fowler reduced the deficit from a melee in front of the Army goal.

The Club tried hard for the equaliser in the remaining minutes left for play, but the disorganisation of the forward line, due to being a man short, nullified their attempts.

The teams were:
Club.—R. A. Bates; J. E. Potter, G. Sommer; J. L. Coatesworth, W. A. Read, J. L. Tetley; S. A. Fowler, G. E. R. Divett, D. Carey and D. L. Noddy.

Army.—Bds. Southam; Bds. Cox, Kishen Singh; Spr. Brown, Lieut. J. Williams, Alf Din; Khuda Bux; Lieut. C. G. Garthwaite, Mohd. Afzar, Lt. Col. Nolan and Lal Singh.

NEW OFFICIALS

At the first committee meeting of the Chinese Recreation Club held last week, the following officials were elected to serve during the ensuing year:

Chairman, Mr. H. S. Mok; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Lu Tak-lam; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Wong Kwok-fong; Committee, Messrs. S. W. Liang, F. H. Kwok, U. Sze-wing, U. Sze-tsun, Cheung Wing-min, Lau Man-kue, Lu Tak-cheuk, Lo Tung-fan, Tsui Ping-tong, Ng Sze-tung, Ho Ka-lau and Dr. Cheung Siu-fan.

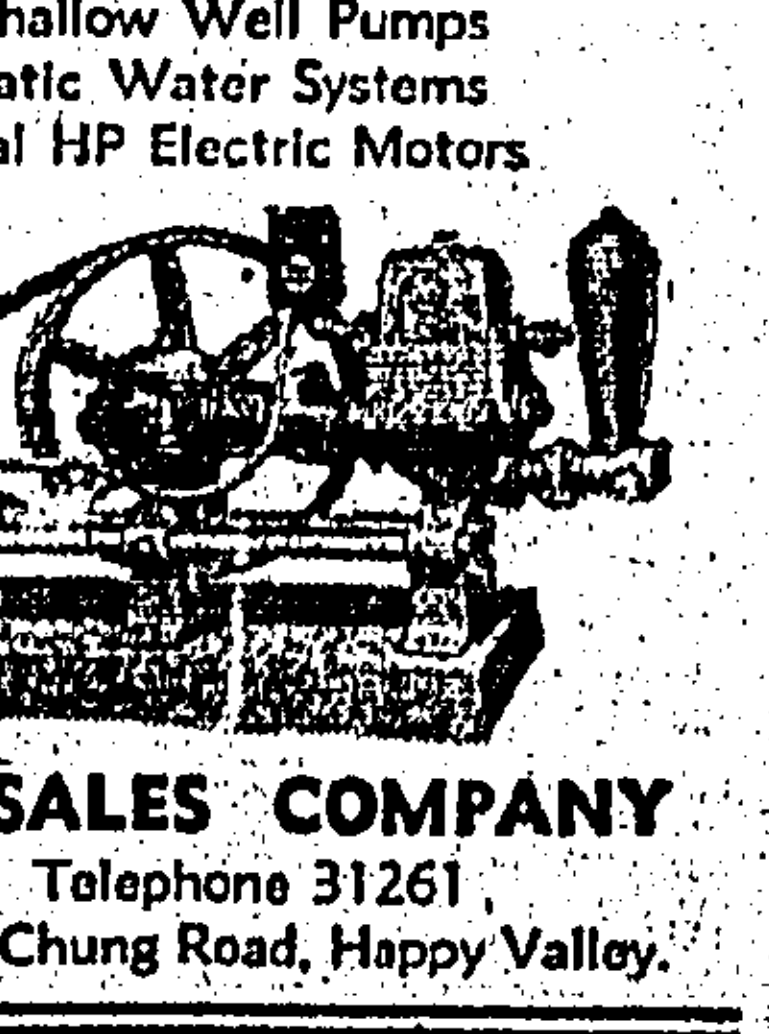
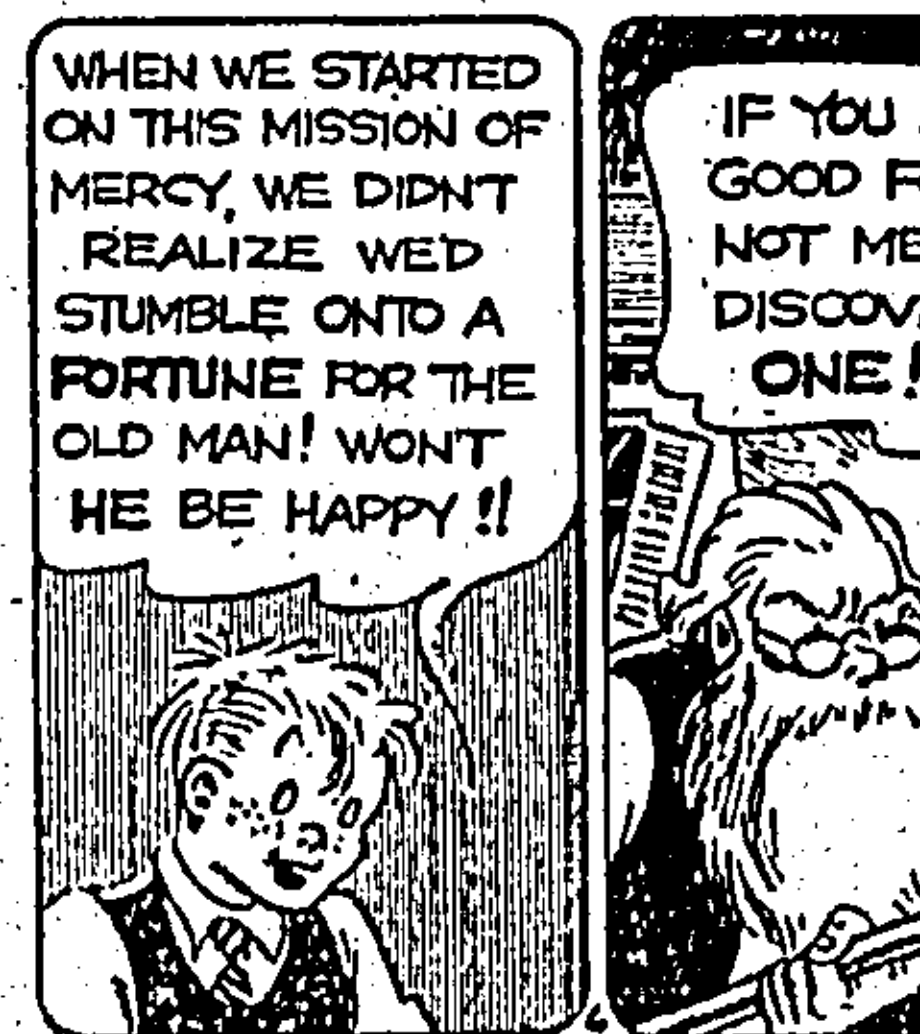
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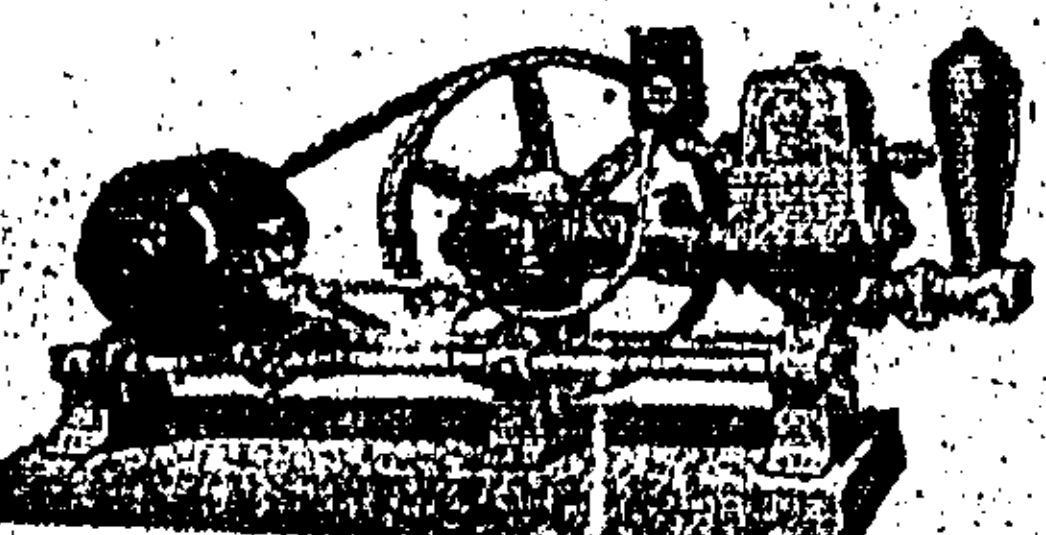
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"RECALLED TO LIFE"

CHAPTER I

Upon a foggy night in the year 1775 a lumbering coach, on the road from London to Dover, proceeded slowly up Shooter's hill. The passengers trudged along the road in the mud as much as did the weary horses whose heads drooped almost to the ground. Joe, the guard, panted and grunted as he pushed against the back of the coach. The driver cracked his whip and shouted encouragement to the animals. "So-ho! Get up there! One more pull!" He wiped the sweat from his forehead. "I say, Joe, what o'clock is it?" "Eleven," responded the guard. "And not up to the top of Shooter's Hill yet! So-ho! Get up with you!" Again he whipped the leader of the team and the Dover Mail jogged on uphill. The dismounted passengers squashed along in the mud, stopping whenever the coach did, as if fearful of getting very far away from it in the heavy mist. At a sudden pounding of horse's hoofs in the road behind them, they huddled close together. The driver jumped upon his box and levelled his pistol, ready for the appearance of the still invisible enemy, for none had other thought but that the rider, approaching at a gallop, was a highwayman. The guard raced backward, his blunderbuss levelled, and cried: "Gentlemen, in the King's name, on your guard!" Several of the men had drawn pistols when the newcomer, having dismounted, walked towards them, muffled to the eyes. "Dover Mail!" he shouted. "Are you the Dover Mail?" "Never mind what we are," responded the guard. "What are you?" "I'm a messenger from Tellson's Bank." "Stand where you are! No nearer!" commanded Joe. "I want Mr. Jarvis Lorry," said the muffled man. "Have a message for him from 'is bank.'" One of the passengers detached himself from the group and started towards the speaker. "Here I am. Is that Jerry Cruncher?" "Yes, Mr. Lorry," replied the man and started to advance. "Stop!" cried Joe. "Keep where you are! I'm a devil at a quick mistake—and it usually takes the form of lead." "That's all right, guard, I know the man," said Mr. Lorry, a florid-faced elderly man. "Then step aside. Speak to him if you must, but don't let him come no nearer. You never know in these days." When he was within a few paces of the man, Lorry demanded: "What's the message, Jerry?" "It's this: Wait at the Royal George for 'mam'selle.'" "Ah, she's at Dover then! Give this reply to the office: 'Recalled to life.'" "Recalled to life," repeated Jerry Cruncher. "Very good, sir." The messenger returned to his horse, and Lorry to the waiting coach. Driver, guard and passengers relaxed from their tension only when they heard the retreating hoofbeats of Cruncher's mount. Mr. Lorry sat at a table before the fireplace in the Royal George Tavern at Dover eating fish with great precision when the waiter advanced to his table and announced: "The young lady you expect, sir, Miss Manette, is here, sir." "Good. Business—strictly business," said Lorry explosively at the smirk on the waiter's face. "Of course, sir," agreed that individual, still smiling. "I'm from Tellson's Bank in London, and it is business here. He nodded emphatically at the man in his distress at being misunderstood. He despatched the rest of his meal quickly, left the dining room and made his way up the creaking staircase to a door on the second floor. He

paused in some perturbation, then knocked. In response to a girlish voice from within, he pushed the door open. The room was heavy, dark and gloomy, lighted by two candles between which stood a young girl of seventeen. Her limpid golden brown eyes, the quick intelligence of her face, proclaimed her French. "I—ahem—I'm Mr. Jarvis Lorry, Jr., of Tellson's Bank. Your humble servant, Miss. She courtseyed as she extended her hand for his kiss, and received a letter from her bank, gesturing that he was to do likewise, informing him that some intelligence—some discovery—

"Quite, quite, Miss Manette. The word is immaterial."

The girl looks at Lorry closely. "Are you quite a stranger to me, sir?" "I am a man of business. Pay no more attention to me than if I were a speaking machine."

"But I know you. I am sure that I know you."

"Yes, when you were a little girl, I was instrumental in bringing you and your mother over to England. Business, you know, no romance."

"That was many years ago."

"I speak, Miss, of that time. The business we have in hand relates to your father, Dr. Manette."

"You knew him before he died?" "Yes. He was a client of Tellson's and Company's Paris Bank. I am an arm of that bank. That is how you must regard me."

"Mr. Lorry, what have you come to tell me?" "You are in a manner of speaking a ward of Tellson's and Company—your financial affairs for the bank. Now let us suppose your father had not died—don't be frightened, child!—Please don't keep me in suspense, Mr. Lorry! What is it?" "If, instead of dying, your father had suddenly and silently disappeared—if he had been a prisoner, would you not be distressed?" "With a startled cry, Miss Manette rose from her chair, then knelt before him, greatly agitated. "Mr. Lorry, do tell me! I entreat you!" "No, don't kneel!" cried the gentleman, thoroughly distressed. "In heaven's name, why should you kneel to me?" "For the truth! Oh, dear, good, compassionate sir, for the truth! Is my father alive?" "But you must expect to find him greatly changed—perhaps it is probable, though we will hope for the best."

"Oh, my poor father. Where is he?" "Now you know the best, and the worst. You will see the poor, wronged gentleman, and with a fair sea voyage to France, away on fair land voyages to Paris. Miss Manette! What is the matter?" The girl was prostrate on the floor in a faint. As Mr. Lorry looked about helplessly, wondering what to do, a strange female figure burst into the room. She was all of a red colour; her hair was red, her extraordinary, tight-fitting costume was red; on her head was a wonderful bonnet, resembling a grenadier's shako. She laid a brawny hand flying against the nearest wall. "What have you been doing to my ladybird?" "I had to tell her some news."

"You took a fine manner of doing it!" She addressed herself to her mistress. "Precious, my bird! It's me, your Proust!" she looked up at Mr. Lorry and still staining her face. "Look what you have done to her! Couldn't you tell her what you had to without frightening her so?" "I tried to break it to her as gently as I could."

"Gently? Call this gently! My darling pretty! Proust is with you now, and no one can harm you." Under her ministrations, Lucie Manette soon recovered and sat up. "I'm all right," she said faintly. "Where is my father?" "He has been in prison in the Bastille for eighteen years."

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Friedrichshafen, Mar. 20.
GERMANY'S new Zeppelin, LZ129, will fly over London sometime in the next two weeks.

To-day Dr. Hugo Eckener, the famous pilot, was informed that the authorities in England would not impose any restrictions except those dealing with naval and military zones.

"In that event," said Dr. Eckener, "it is certain that I shall fly the new airship over London because I have many friends in Britain who are interested in it. I know they are anxious to see it, and it is probable that I shall fly over England on a trial trip."

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Woman Drives To An Execution Dressed As A Man

Draguignan (France), Mar. 25.

A woman dressed in man's clothing was found to be driving a lorry containing the executioner's equipment for the execution of a man named Sasia, known as the "Killer of Shepherds," outside the prison at Draguignan, to-day.

She had to wear man's clothing because women are not allowed officially to be witnesses of an execution. She was recognised and removed.—United Press.

NURSES AND DOCTOR GASSED IN OPERATION

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Woburn, Mass., Mar. 20.

Gas felled two nurses, partly overcame a third, and rendered the attending physician almost unconscious during the birth of a baby in the operating room of a Woburn hospital last night.

A nurse flung open the doors and staggered out to tell others that two nurses were unconscious on the floor inside and Dr. Thomas F. Halpin was on the verge of collapse.

The fresh blast of air from the open doors helped revive Dr. Halpin. Another doctor hurried to his aid, but before he arrived Dr. Halpin struggled through the delivery. Neither mother nor child apparently suffered any lasting ill effects.

Dr. Halpin, still ill to-day after his experience, said he believed the room had been filled with carbon monoxide gas, but ventured no opinion as to its origin.

He said the operating room had been closed and that engineers would study the room and its equipment to discover the source of the fumes.

"I first became aware of a severe headache," Dr. Halpin said, "and I

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The Lord Mayor of London (Sir Stephen K. Luck) recited the following ditty to prove that advertising pays:—
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And so we scorn the codfish;
And the homely hen we prize;
Which demonstrates to you and me,
That it pays to advertise."

BEATTY'S STORY OF JUTLAND

STOLEN LETTER

How an "astounding" letter from the late Earl Beatty was stolen was revealed in London this month by the Dean of Windsor.

"Beatty, who was one of my greatest friends, wrote the letter to me immediately after the Battle of Jutland," the Dean said.

"It was a remarkable document, 10 to 12 pages in length, and of an extremely personal nature."

"FRIGHTFULLY UPSET"

"It was the spontaneous letting-off of steam of a man very full of his subject and at the moment frightfully upset by the loss of his friends."

"He described the battle, his feelings, the tragic loss of his friends—everything, in fact, that was passing through his mind."

"It was so intimate a letter that I did not show it even to my wife. It was at Coventry at the time. I put the letter away carefully in a cupboard."

"A couple of months later, when I looked for it, the letter had vanished."

"I cannot have any doubts but that it was stolen."

"Somebody must have seen it and taken it, but who this person was or how it happened I have never been able to think."

NEVER TOLD

"I did not even tell anyone that I had received it."

"It was not the sort of letter anyone would dare to publish. If whoever has it returns it to me I shall hand it over to Beatty's family."

"It might be used in future years as a most interesting historical document. I am revealing the circumstances of its loss in case it ever does come to light."

The Dean explained that as young men he and Beatty became firm friends.

They had long talks and rides together.

Beatty used to sign himself "David B." in his letters. He has a number of other personal letters from him, but they are of purely private interests.

WAS HE FIRST MAN AT NORTH POLE?



Frederick Cook, whose claim 30 years ago that he was the first man to reach the North Pole was discredited, is making new efforts to prove that he actually did beat Perry.

DEBABELISE

BASIC ENGLISH WAY TO PROGRESS

NEW WORLD SPEECH

In all leading countries to-day, groups of clever people are working out the idea that the best way to push the world ahead is to put it back to where it was before the Tower of Babel.

In other words, "Debabilisation" seems to thinkers of to-day the best means of getting the nations to understand one another. They need a common language.

For Basic English, the latest attempt to provide one, the prospects seem specially good.

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A new common language for all the nations of the earth comes up for attention. Unlike Esperanto and the many other unnatural systems of talk which the invention of man has put forward in the past, it is a ready-made and living language. It is, in fact, English; and while not quite the English of the library, being much simpler, it is still true English and clear enough for any purpose.

"Basic English" is the name its friends give it. They have gone through the word-book with a small-tooth comb, taking out great masses of words as unimportant and unnecessary. They have kept 850 words only. You may put them all on a page of notepaper. This selection gives us a language which takes only a short time in the learning and in the narrow limits of which it is possible to put across any everyday thought that may come to mind.

Before you read any further, take a backward glance at the last two paragraphs. They are in Basic English, which in them explains itself.

In Many Lands

A selection of 850 words which have the power of covering the greater part of the range of man's interests has been worked out by Mr. C. K. Ogden, of the Orthological Institute, Cambridge University. These, together with certain rules, make up a remarkably practicable language, which is being used by groups in lands as far apart as Japan, Mexico, Iceland and Czechoslovakia.

"We find fully 1500 languages acting as barriers to world understanding," says Mr. Ogden. "India alone has 200 languages; the Soviet Republic has 20."

The outstanding advantage of Basic English is that it is not an artificial construction, like Esperanto, Ido, Volapuk and others. It is a simplification of a living speech, and that speech is itself in a unique position to-day, being the natural language or the language of government for more than 500,000,000 people.

English is the language of commerce, it is displacing French as the language of diplomacy. Every important scientific work has to be put into English, and the motion picture is impelling thousands in foreign-speaking countries to learn the language of the films they love.

Books in "Basic English"
A simplified form of it seems destined to be the common speech of mankind. Basic English is so skillfully worked out that in England itself books have been published in it without readers being aware of it.

"Twentieth Century Houses" an illustrated book on architecture, is a notable example. It is a book of 80,000 words, and it uses only the 850 words of Basic English, and the compounds it easily provides—such as "designer," "designed," "from design," one of the 850.

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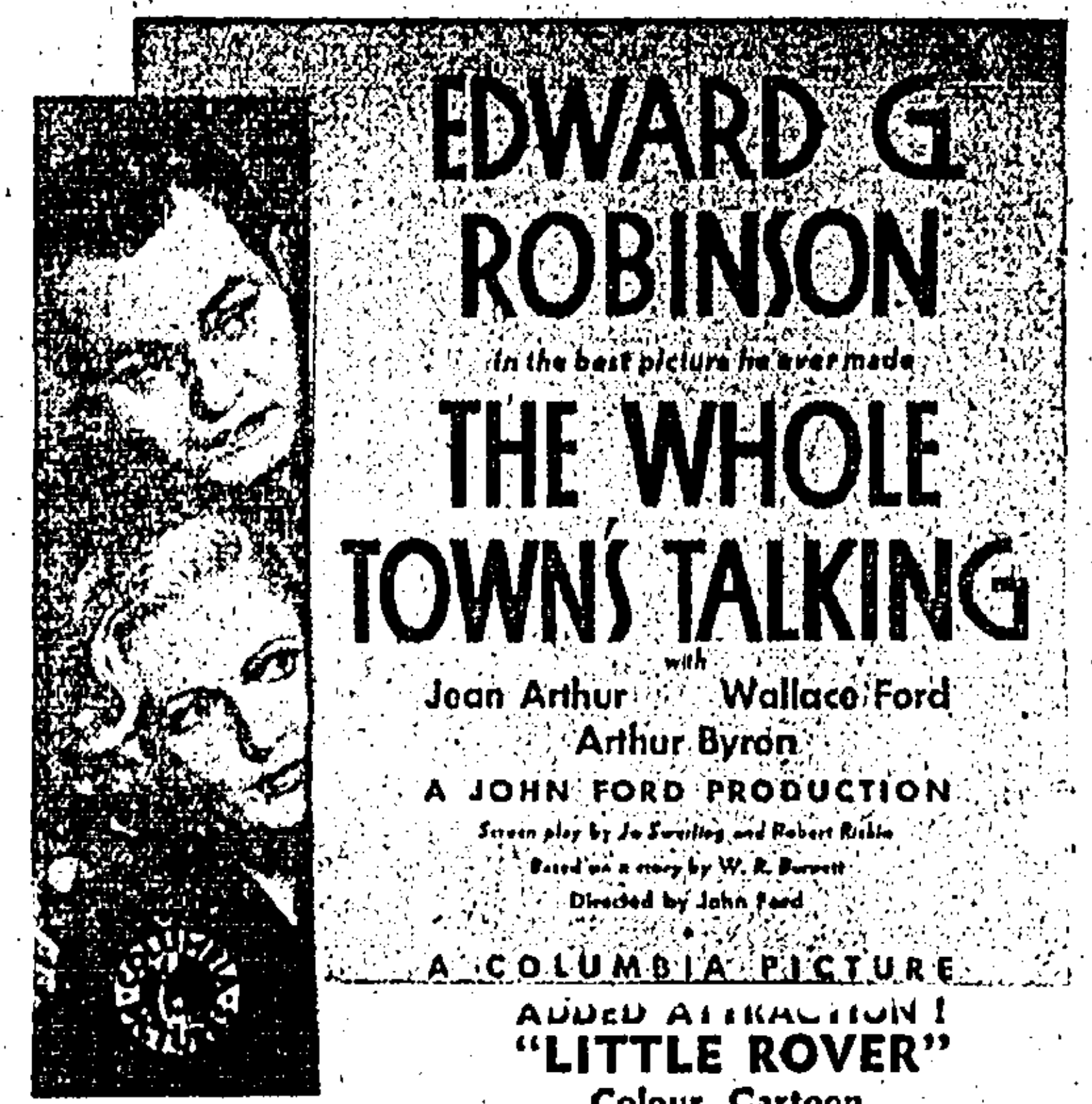
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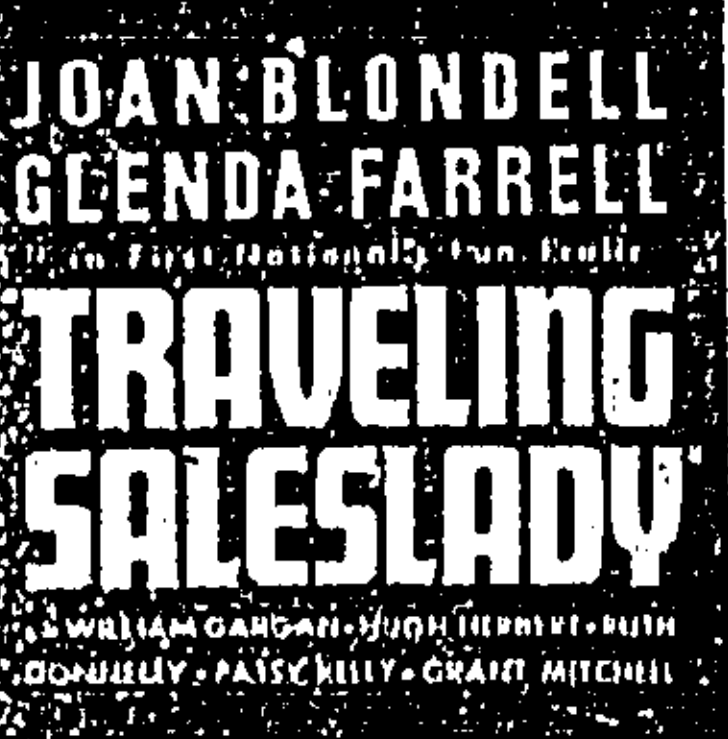
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CORRESPONDENCE

Kowloon Tong Church

(To The Editor: Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—We would like to make a further announcement about the laying of the foundation stone of the new Anglican Church at Kowloon Tong by His Excellency the Governor which takes place to-day at 6 p.m.

The Bishop of Hongkong, clergy, and members of the congregation have been asked to assemble at the present Church House No. 3 Duke St. at 5.30 p.m. and a procession will be formed to the site of the new church, members of other churches are invited to join in the procession if they wish to do so. Space will also be reserved at the site itself, and those not taking part in the procession are asked to be in their places not later than 5.55 p.m. when His Excellency will arrive.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, there will be a collection for the building fund. The site can be reached by taking No. 7 bus from the Star Ferry and is situated on the right side of Waterloo Rd. about 200 yds. beyond its junction with Prince Edward Rd.

ARTS ASSOCIATION

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The following have been unanimously elected office-bearers of the Arts Association of the Hongkong University for the Session 1936-37:

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AID FOR SINKING VESSEL

Customs Cruiser
To Rescue
PEI AN HARD
ASHORE

Latest advices reaching the
Naval authorities here state that
the Chinese Customs cruiser, Hai
Ping, left Hoihow at 10 a.m. to-
day for the scene of the wreck of
the Pei An.

The last message from the Pei
An, in communication with the
cruiser, said the crew was safe at
present but the ship was hard
ashore. The Hai Ping should
reach the wreck at 6 p.m. to-day.

At 4.45 a.m. to-day the Tientsin-
registered steamer Pei An, bound
from Hongkong to Port Redon, sent
her first call for immediate assistance
from a position approximately 420
miles from this port.

It is learned here that Naval
authorities have been endeavouring
to locate the vessel in the vicinity of
the Pei An in order to check on possible
rescue movements.

The vessel carries a crew of Japanese,
her master being Captain
Yamaki. Her tonnage is 2,600. It
is not known how many passengers
she carries although when she arrived
here from Port Arthur, via Tientsin,
she had five travellers aboard. She
cleared from Hongkong on March 25.
She is under charter to the M.B.K.

Manila Report

Manila, Mar. 31.
The Chinese steamer Pei An, ashore
on Eaklong Island, 20.08 degrees
North and 107.43 degrees East, sent
out an SOS message this morning,
stating she was sinking and wanting
help immediately.—*Reuter*.

Cannot Send Help

Hongkong is unable to despatch a
warship to the aid of the distressed
Pei An, it is explained, because to
reach her it would be necessary to
run through the dangerous Hainan
Strait at night. A destroyer leaving
here this morning could not reach
the Strait until to-night.

The Naval authorities learn that
the wireless station at Sektar has
been repeating the Pei An's distress
signals since before 6 a.m. to-day
without getting a single reply.

AMERICAN INSULT TO PERSIA

SHAH CLOSES ALL U.S. CONSULATES

Washington, Mar. 31.
The Persian Government has
ordered its Legation here and all
Consulates throughout the United
States to be closed, on account of
articles in the American Press which
is considered discourteous to the
Shah.

No indication is given of the na-
ture of the articles, but it is believed
unofficially that the matter is con-
nected with the arrest, on a charge
of speeding at Elkton, Maryland,
last October, of the former Persian
Minister to the United States, who
was subsequently recalled.

Diplomatic relations are not com-
pletely severed. They will be carried
on through the American Minister at
Tehran.—*Reuter*.

VICEROY MAY MEET GANDHI

PAPER SAYS "YES" GOVERNMENT "NO"

New Delhi, March 30.
An interview has been arranged
between the Marquis of Linlithgow,
the new Viceroy, and Mahatma
Gandhi when the former reaches
India, stated the *Hindustan Times* in
its issue of Sunday.

This report, however, has been
officially denied. It being stated that
no interview has been arranged on
the instructions of Lord Halifax, with
or without the consent of the Prime
Minister.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

ITALIAN LAPSE ALLEGED

LORD CECIL ASKS
FOR ACTION

GOVERNMENT WAITS FOR
LEAGUE REPORT

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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London, March 30.

The allegations that the Italian troops invading
Ethiopia were using poison gas in fighting the natives
were drawn to the attention of the House of Lords to-
day, Lord Cecil asking what steps the Government pro-
posed to take if the charges were proved true.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, supporting Lord
Cecil in a demand for action of some sort, drew atten-
tion to the effect the use of poison gas would have upon
other races in Africa, who were carefully watching the
conduct of both sides in the Italo-Ethiopian war.

Lord Halifax, replying for the Government, said he
only wished he could give assurance that the reports
were unfounded. But he had only meagre information.

He agreed with everything that had been said, he
declared, with regard to the gravity of the reports,
including the viewpoint that there would be inevitable
repercussions upon the whole of the relations between
white and coloured races if the Italians were using
poison gas in Ethiopia.

Referred To Italy

Lord Halifax pointed out that the
Committee of Thirteen of the League
of Nations, which was really steering
that body in the matter of the Italo-
Ethiopian dispute, had referred the
Ethiopian Government's complaint
about the use of poison gas to the
Italian Government.

If the reports were true it would
be for the Committee to recommend
action.

The British Government, he added,
could only act collectively with other
Governments members of the League,
but if the reports about the use of
gas were true it would be the duty
and desire of the British Government
that the country should be represented
on the League body before which
the matter might come.

Britain would use her utmost efforts
to secure practical consideration of
great outburst of civilisation.—*Reuter Special*.

Public Shocked

London, March 30.
Reports in newspapers from
Abyssinia of bombing of Harar—
a reputed open and undefended town
—from Italian aeroplanes, and of the
Italian use of mustard gas have pro-
foundly shocked public opinion.

The feeling which has been aroused
is apparent in the correspondence
columns of the newspapers and found
expression to-day in both Houses of
Parliament.

In the Lords, a debate on the sub-
ject was raised by Lord Cecil and
in the Commons questions were
addressed to the Foreign Secretary.

In reply, Mr. Eden referred to the
official protests addressed by the
Ethiopian Government to the League
and to the British Government as a
signatory of Hague Convention No. 4,
of October 18, 1907, and of the
Geneva Protocol of July 17, 1925, and
stated that he understood, in con-
formity with the decision of the
League Committee of Thirteen on
March 23, with which the British
representative was associated, the
complaints had been passed on to the
Italian Government with a reminder
of the provisions of the Geneva
Protocol.

Against Humanity

In the House of Lords this evening,
Viscount Cecil called attention to the
allegations of the use of poison gas
by the Italian forces in Abyssinia
and asked whether the Government
had information if these charges of
the breach by the Italian Government
of yet another treaty obligation were
well founded, and if so, what steps
they proposed to take.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, who
the methods used in Abyssinia were
(Continued on Page 4)

CRUSHING SHANSI INVASION

GOVERNMENT ARMY
SUCCESSSES

RELIEF NEARS
HUNG TUNG

Peiping, Mar. 31.

Despatches from Taiyuanfu, near
the scene of military operations
against the Communist invaders, in-
dicate to-day that the Shansi pro-
vincial forces are getting the upper
hand of their adversaries.

All ferry points on the Shansi bank
of the Yellow River are now in the
hands of Government troops. How-
ever, Mo-Tse-tung, with a few of his
followers, escaped into the interior
when the Government troops tried to
prevent his crossing the river.

It is reported that several boats
commandeered by the Communists
overturned in the river because of
over-crowding, and that many have
been drowned.

Aeroplanes have made contact with
the garrison forces at Hungtung and
Pingyang and learn that they are
able to hold out until reinforcements
arrive from Houma.

These relief troops are on their
way. It was reported that General
Kao Lin-tung, the Nanking com-
mander, occupied Hwochow, 25 miles
north of Hungtung, Sunday.—*Reuter*.

DRILL FOR OIL IN ENGLAND

FIRST WELL WILL BE
MILE DEEP

London, March 30.

Drilling for oil in England opened
to-day, when Mrs. Crookshank, wife
of the Secretary for Mines, started
machinery on the slopes of Port-
smouth, near Portsmouth.

The first hole to be drilled is ex-
pected to be one mile deep.—*Reuter's
Bulletin Service*.

Night Attacks Check Italians



Viscount Cecil, who is asking for
action to be taken as a result of
the report that the Italians are
using poison gas in Ethiopia.

BRITISH AIRWAYS DEFENDED

FINEST IN WHOLE
WORLD

London, Mar. 30.

When members of Parliament
attacked the Government's plan
to increase the subsidy to Brit-
ish commercial air transport
companies and criticised the
Empire's air services, Major F.
B. Hills retorted that the Im-
perial Airways was the best
operating concern in the flying
world.

In answer to those who criticised the
slowness of some of the Imperial
Airways' schedules, he declared it was
impossible for the company to order
the necessary new and faster British
machines for Empire routes until the
subsidy question had been settled.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander, Labour, said
there was every reason for the coun-
try to be proud of Imperial Airways,
but he believed it would be in the
national interest if companies could
apply for a subsidy or mail contract
for Empire or world routes not al-
ready covered by Imperial Airways.

Sir Philip Sassoon, the Under-
Secretary for Air, replying, pointed
out that Imperial Airways covered a
greater yearly mileage than French,
Dutch or Italian lines on a far smaller
or subsidy. Their share of the cross-
Channel traffic last year exceeded
that of all foreign competitors com-
bined. Moreover, foreign nations
were increasingly copying the Brit-
ish system.

PRESENT SUBSIDY

At present the Government subsidy
is £1,000,000 annually. The Bill un-
der consideration to-day proposes that
this be increased to £1,500,000 as from
December 31, 1940, the subsidy to
remain at this level until December
31, 1953.

Leut.-Col. J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon,
moving rejection of the Bill, declared
the Empire civil aviation service was
"nothing to write home about."

Mrs. Mavis Tate, seconding the rejection,
pointed out that Australia intended
to take over the service from Singa-
pore to Sydney, at present operated
by British planes, with American
machines. Pan-American Airways
was going to run a service to Aus-
tralia, she declared.

"It is imperative for our interests
in China and the Far East generally
that we run a service from Singapore
to Hongkong and to Shanghai. But
the Pan-American Airways, in con-
junction with the Deutsche Luft-
verkehr, are capturing the trade there."

It is believed, said Mrs. Tate, that
the latter, a German line, intends to
extend its service from China to India,
Persia and Greece, and thence to
Europe.

The Bill was given second reading
and passed 140 to 85.—*Reuter*.

DORADO ARRIVES IN HONGKONG

The Imperial Airways Royal Mail
plane Dorado, which arrived here from
Penang at 11.30 this morning, again
brought one passenger. He was Mr.
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HARD FIGHTING IN SOUTH ATTACKS IN NORTH UNRESISTED

BADOGGIO PRAISES HIS
MEN'S ENDURANCE

Addis Ababa, Mar. 30.

There is heavy fighting south of Daggah-
bur between General Graziani's advance
guards and Ras Nassibou's outposts and
casualties have mounted on both sides until
they have reached the numbers of a major
engagement. Over 1,000 have been killed or
wounded on both sides.

Fighting has been in progress for many
days. But it was during the last two days that
the Italians brought heavy pressure to bear.
They pressed forward twenty-five miles to a
point near Warandab, but Ethiopian night
attacks forced them to retreat to their former
positions.—*Reuter*.

Badoglio Reports

Rome, Mar. 30.

In the course of an unusually long
report Marshal Pietro Badoglio, the
Italian Commander-in-Chief in East
Africa, states that white troops,
with Eritrean, yesterday occupied
Dabarech, capital of Wogera district,
and an important market town of
northern Ethiopia.

After negotiating an almost in-
accessible pass, the Lemalema, a
journey accompanied by incredible
difficulties, the troops swept down
upon the town.

The Third Army Corps moved from
Fenara and marched along the rivers
Samro and Tzellar, until it came
to Sakota, which it occupied yester-
day after an extremely difficult
march. Sakota, says the report, will
be the base for a subsequent advance
into the Wag region, of which this
town is the capital, and an important
centre of roads leading to Dessie,
Addis Ababa and Lake Tana.

Praises Troops

Marshal Badoglio especially praised
the 4,000 soldiers who, besides carry-
ing their arms and equipment, bore
sixty tons of food supplies on their
shoulders, travelling twenty-five miles
in one day.

The Marshal's communique makes
brief reference to thirty aeroplanes of
the Somaliland Air Force which
bombed Harar yesterday.

He says these attackers hit mili-
tary and other well-known objectives
with visible effect.—*Reuter*.

S.S. Queen Mary Logs 29 Knots

AND STILL HAS MUCH
RESERVE POWER

Southampton, March 30.

It is officially revealed that the new
Cunard-White Star liner, Queen
Mary, on her voyage from the Clyde
to Southampton, attained a speed of
29 knots.

This speed was only maintained for
a short time, owing to the new con-
dition of the engines, but the liner
had plenty of power in reserve, and
it is expected that she will attain a
much greater speed when fully ex-
tended.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

NO SECOND SHANGHAI ELECTION

COMMUNITIES IN
AGREEMENT

JAPANESE NOW
CONTENT

Shanghai, Mar. 31.

It is understood that a second
election for seats on the Municipal
Council of the International Settle-
ment will be averted as a result of
the decision of the British, American
and Japanese communities to put
forward only a sufficient number of
candidates to fill the traditional
allotment of the nine seats, namely,
five British, two American and two
Japanese.

The British and American com-
munities are expected to nominate
the candidates who were victorious
in the recent election (since declared
invalid), but it is uncertain which
of the three Japanese will with-
draw.

The Japanese decision not to con-
test the third seat is apparently due
to a desire to promote international
good feeling, coupled with a realisation
that the non-Japanese voting
strength is at present too strong to
permit of a reversal of the original
results.

However, this does not signify
that the Japanese will abandon their
struggle for greater representation in
the administration, which will prob-
ably be revived next year.

The choice of the two Japanese
candidates is understood to rest
ultimately with the Consul-General,
Mr. Ishii.—*Reuter*.

WOULD END PACT

New Delhi, Mar. 30.

The Legislative Assembly has passed
a resolution, by 70 votes to 65,
urging the Government to give notice
of its desire to terminate the Ottawa
agreement. The motion was in-
troduced by the Congress Party.
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Richard Bruno Hauptmann, who,
unless a last-minute reprieve is
granted, will be electrocuted at
8 o'clock to-night (New Jersey
time) for the murder of the
Lindbergh baby.

Clemency Appeal Refused Hauptmann

Dies To-Day

New York, Mar. 30.
The Court of Pardons to-day
rejected the appeal of Richard
Bruno Hauptmann, condemned
as the kidnapper and murderer of
the Lindbergh baby. Haupt-
mann's last hope of succour
from the Courts of the land
vanished when this august body
refused his plea for clemency
after considering the case for
six hours.

Hauptmann's only remaining hope
is Governor Harold Hoffman of
New Jersey. From him, at the last min-
ute, may come a reprieve.

But as far as the law is concerned,
Hauptmann is doomed. He dies to-
morrow at 8 p.m.—*Reuter*.

NO REPRIEVE

Trenton, Mar. 30.

Governor Harold Hoffman has
announced that the action of the
Court of Pardons in refusing
Hauptmann clemency is final, and
that he will grant no reprieve.—*Reuter*.

AWAITS HIS SUMMONS

Trenton, Mar. 30.

Bruno Hauptmann, awaiting the
warden's summons to the death cham-
ber to-morrow night, alone in his cell,
will not be the only man to die in the
prison here to-morrow. In another cell
in the same corridor, close to the room
in which the electric chair awaits
them, Charles Zied, a gangster, also
waits in dread.

To-day the prison lights suddenly
dimmed, and the condemned men knew
what that meant. The prison officials
were testing the electric chair. The
power utilised to pass the necessary
current through it dims the lights
in prison and town.

Arrangements have been made with
an undertaker to remove the gangster's
body. But no one has been asked
to attend to Hauptmann's. His wife,
Anna, is expected to make a last visit
to him this afternoon.

The executioner, Robert Elliot, has
been notified that two tasks await
him to-night.—*United Press*.

LAST HOPE GONE

Trenton, Mar. 30.

The Court of Pardons' action in re-
fusing Bruno Hauptmann's appeal for
clemency has removed the condemned
man's last chance of escaping death
in the electric chair. For Governor
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DON'T STAY
IN THE
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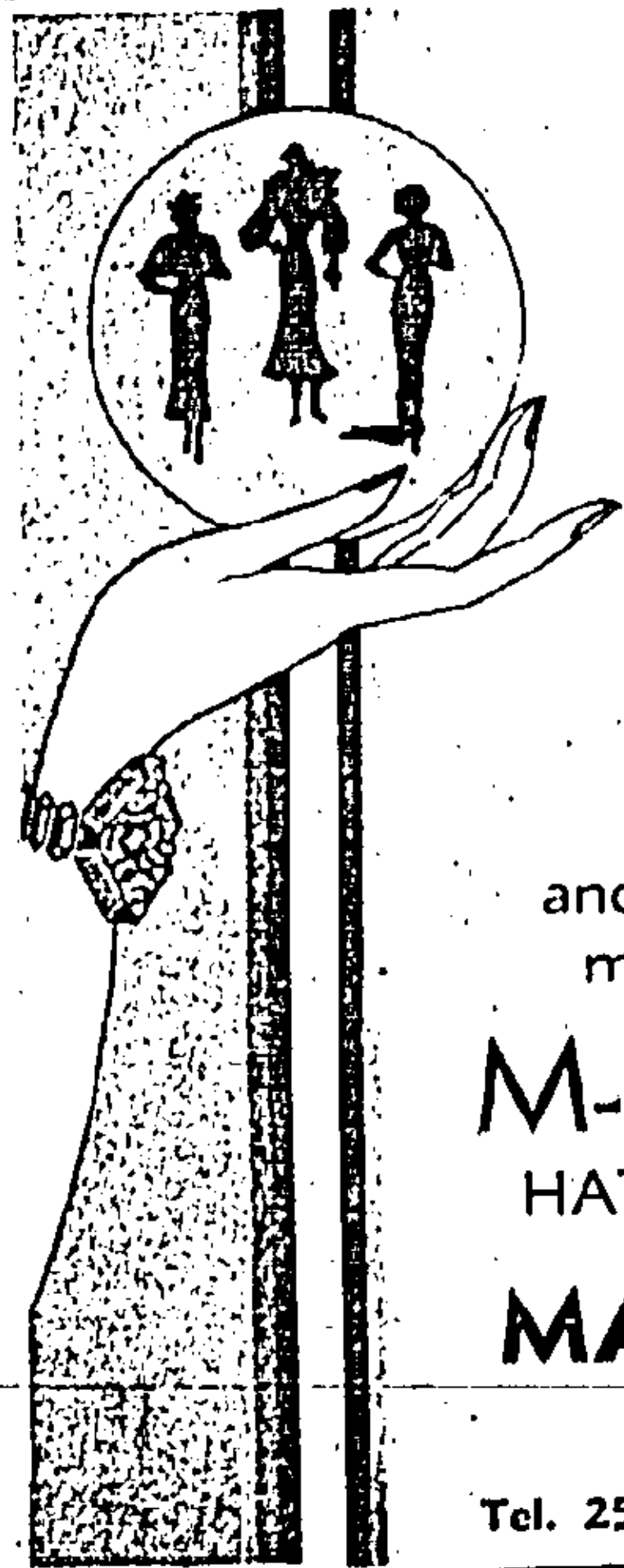
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DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS

Young girls often outgrow their strength, and excessive demands are made on the blood stream, which becomes impoverished and incapable of supplying the nourishment required to keep the organs active and healthy. As a result many a girl enters womanhood in an anemic condition. If this is allowed to continue a general breakdown in health is almost sure to follow.

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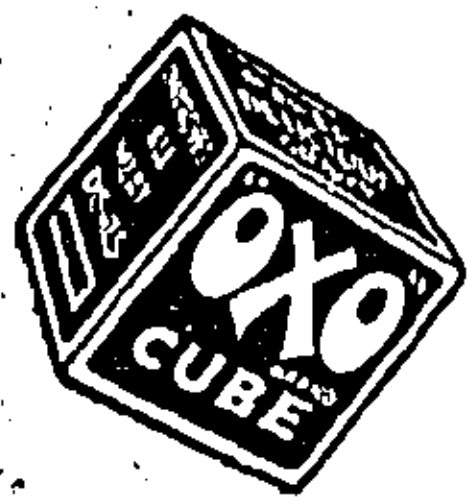
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"ONE-WAY" GLASS: FIELD FOR NEW AMERICAN INVENTION BROADENS

GLASS THAT REMOVES GLARE FROM HEADLIGHTS

Makes Three Dimensional Movies Possible And Detects Weak Steel

New York, Mar. 25.

Glass which removes the glare from motor-car headlights, makes life-like three-dimensional movies available and gives work, was demonstrated for the first time here to-day before a group of natural scientists at the Waldorf-Astoria. The new glass, in addition to other manifold uses, also enables engineers to detect weaknesses in steel construction work.

Just as the telescope and microscope aided human eyes in extending their limits of far and near vision, so the glass, invented by Edwin H. Land, of Boston, will extend ordinary vision, and by removing glare and unnecessary light rays which before ordinary sight, give exceptionally clear-ey pictures of ordinary things.

According to theory, light travels in waves like ripples from a stone cast into a mill-pond.

Smooths Out Ripples

Instead of water, its medium is the atmosphere and every dust particle, every gaseous molecule, is a "stone" in the mill-pond, causing these light waves to travel helter skelter every which way. Polaroid, the new glass, comb out these waves or polarizes them, making them all travel in the same way as though they were vehicles on a one-way multi-lane highway.

To all outward appearances it is a clear, colorless glass, and light which has passed through polaroid looks like ordinary light.

Traffic experts, however, learned differently and many predicted it would only be a comparatively short time before motor car headlights and windshields were equipped with this new glass.

Cut Out All Glare

A pair of blinding headlights was set up at each end of the demonstration room. Viewed through an ordinary glass windshield the glare was accentuated if anythink. Then polaroid windshields were substituted and the brilliant lights seemed almost out, although objects between the two sets of lights were brilliantly illuminated.

NAVAL OFFICER'S HONEYMOON IN HONGKONG



Paymaster Commander C. A. Bowen, Royal Navy, British Resident Naval Officer at Shanghai and Mrs. Bowen, shortly after their wedding in Shanghai last week. Owing to the recent illness of the bridegroom only a few personal friends were present at the ceremony. Rev. Father MacDonald, S.J., was the officiating clergyman. The newlyweds are spending their honeymoon in Hongkong.

Pedestrians are seen as well as if no car were approaching, and because there is no glare in the driver's eye's there is sense of daytime comfort. Experts predict a major reduction in the toll of 20,000 fatalities directly traced to headlight glare.

The world's first three-dimensional movie in full colour were shown at the demonstration. Observers found the pictures seemed real not only because texture and luster were reproduced exactly.

The audience wore clear polaroid spectacles for viewing the scenes. Actors and actresses seemed actually present in person. The pictures were taken with a double camera having two lenses as far apart as the average human eyes.

When the films are shown, the two views are projected on the same screen, one on top of the other, through polaroid sheets set at right angles to each other.

New Movies Expected Soon
The audience, supplied with polaroid glasses, sees one image with the left eye, and the other with the right. These independent screen images reproduce the actual mechanics of vision accomplished by the naked eye.

Movies made and viewed by this system are expected to be available soon through equipment now being built by one of the large photographic companies.

KISSES INSTEAD OF DIMES IS NEW CRAZE

CHAIN LETTERS

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

Chain letters calling for kisses instead of dimes are sweeping through the province of Chekiang and, in spite of the vigorous opposition of the authorities, appear to be growing in popularity.

The "love chain letters," as they are called, are written entirely in English and are circulated in the same manner as those involving money, which attained only a small vogue in China.

The letters are sent to five persons. Each recipient copies the letter and its list of names, adding his own name and omitting the first one on the list.

On the night of the next full moon he is supposed to meet the person whose name he has omitted at a place designated in the letter. Both are to wear a red ribbon for identification.

When they meet they are to exchange kisses. Each person receiving the letter is due to be kissed 15,000 times.

The object, it is said, is to enable single persons to find suitable mates, but the letters are considered immoral by the authorities and the Ministry of the Interior has instructed the Chekiang police to stop their circulation.

SISTERS

GERMAN shipping circles are mystified by fires which have damaged two sister ships recently launched.

A fortnight ago in the English Channel, the Potsdam (18,000 tons) reported a blaze in her engine-room.

She is on her way back to Bremen, crippled.

Almost immediately afterwards the Gneisenau (also 18,000 tons), had a fire in her copra cargo.

She was off Singapore, on her maiden voyage.

North German Lloyd, the owners, ordered a strict investigation.

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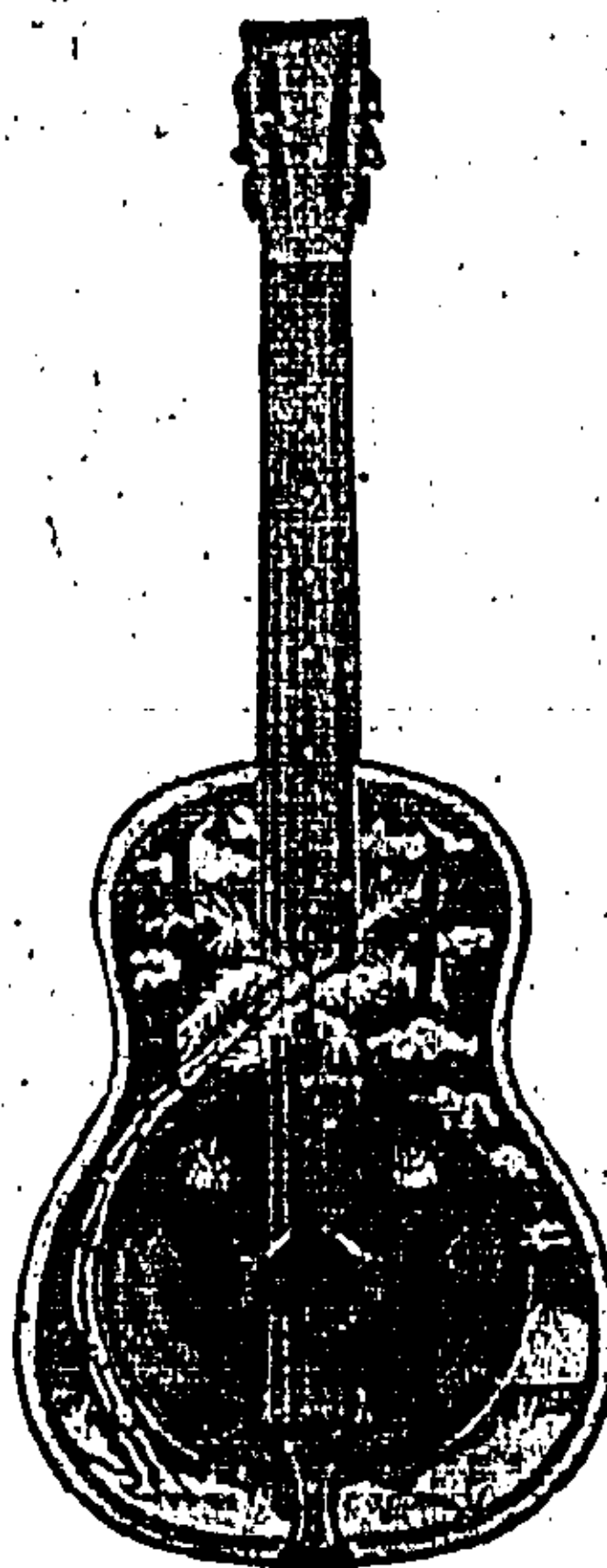
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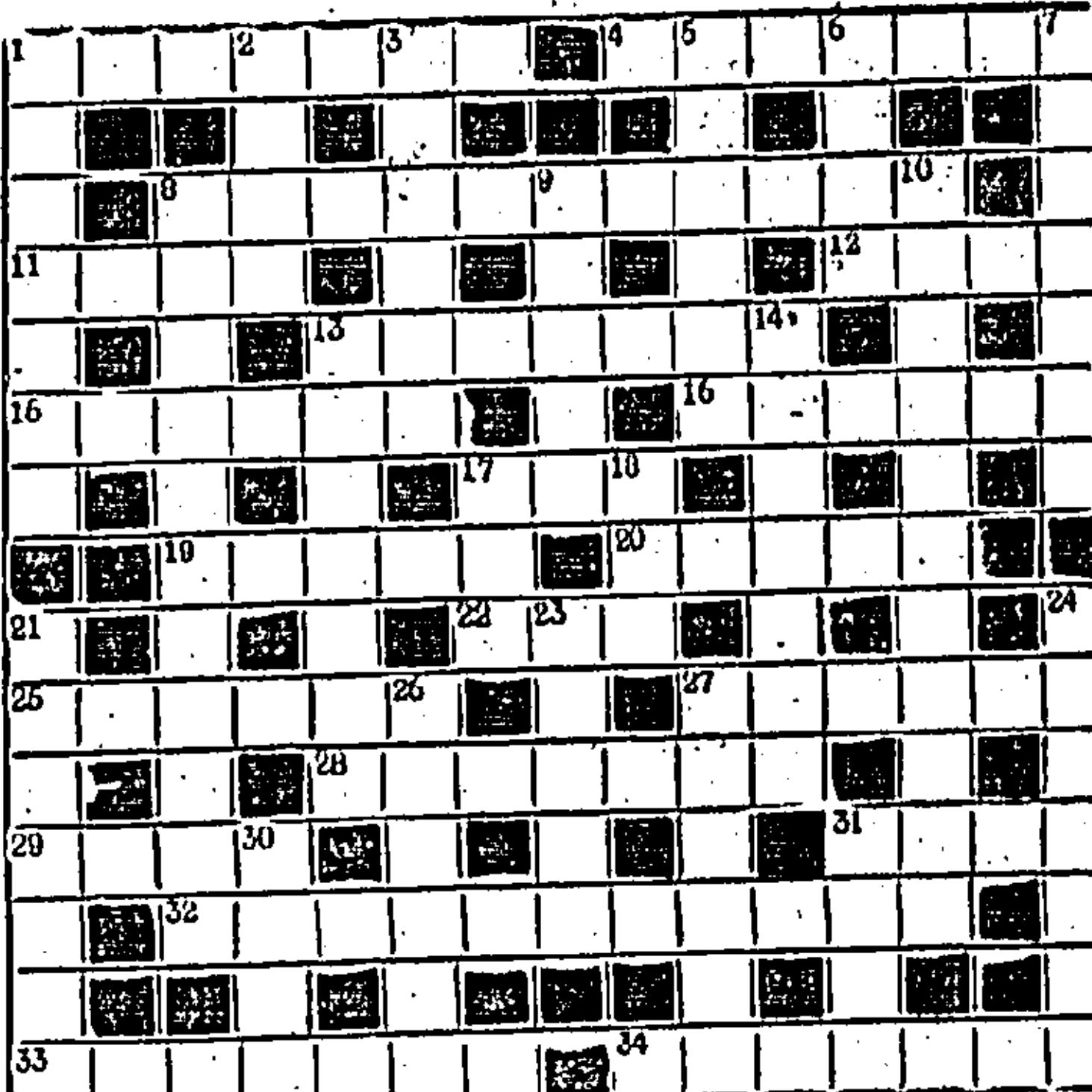
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- 4 After her sails have been removed the old ship's destiny is evident.
- 8 Coin, not part (anag.).
- 11 This shows deep sorrow if taken to heart.
- 12 Where scores are saved by the keeper in goal.
- 13 Some soldiers find these a necessity. Take time.
- 15 Mass book?
- 16 Various people who often turn into wrecks.
- 17 A single person.
- 19 How to Get a Bit More out of Tea—by an artist.
- 20 A pound from this weight might be a nasty blow.
- 22 Renowned cricketer.
- 25 P. G. Room (anag.).
- 27 Hamper.
- 28 One can easily make these fellows angrier.
- 29 Admits the possession of "snow."
- 31 Though slippery customers they help to make one feel safe.
- 32 Single shots (anag.).
- 33 Lass may wear them, and lass may also make them.
- 34 He has to whistle for his wages—suggesting foul play.

DOWN

- 1 This reminds one of how the balloonist loses gas—as an system.
- 2 Its life largely depends upon the salvation of its sole.
- 3 Complete as it stands.
- 6 Seaback that any trader can make good.
- 9 Absorbed by many a seafaring

- 7 Some language!
- 8 Changing around a retrograde measure is, certainly, asking for it.
- 9 A crime within reason—and a bit to spare.
- 10 Although one may have no special time for these unknowns, ten to nine is quite suitable.
- 13 Feeling.
- 14 Something two can play at.
- 17 One of the fools who take things easily under fifty.
- 18 In Elysium.
- 21 Withstands—with stands for the photographer.
- 23 Royal.
- 24 An annoying word.
- 26 Another mass book.
- 27 In this to violate will be O.K.
- 30 Cast off.
- 31 Girl's name, it might be made to appear.

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FULL REPORT OF WHITE PAPER ON DEFENCE

BUILDING OF SHIPS TO BE SPEEDED UP

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN FLEET AIR ARM

THE long-awaited British White Paper on Defence, issued last month, begins its outline of the plan for extending the defence services in a reference to the "overwhelming importance of the Navy."

This overwhelming importance lies in "preserving our sea communications and thus ensuring this country the supplies of sea-borne food and raw materials on which its existence depends."

The first part of the White Paper is taken up with an historical survey of the facts leading up to the plan.

Comparative strengths of the world's standing armies are given, and it is shown that while Britain reduced her armaments, many countries increased the number, range and efficiency of their fighting services.

Emphasis is laid on Britain's unswerving support of the League of Nations in pursuit of peace.

"Taking risks for peace," it is pointed out, has not removed the dangers of war.

In the plan itself stress is laid on the importance of naval strength in the following way:

NEW CONSTRUCTION: REPAIRING DEFICIENCIES

"No less important is the responsibility of the Navy, stressed also in the same document [the White Paper of March last on Defence] for maintaining free passage between the different parts of the Empire of troops and supplies of all kinds, thus assuring the very foundation of our system of Imperial Defence."

"To render the Navy capable in all circumstances of fulfilling these requirements."

It will be necessary not only to proceed with new construction at a more rapid rate than in recent years, but also to make good existing deficiencies in armament and stores of all kinds.

"Until the end of 1936 the strengths of all the principal Naval Powers are regulated by treaty."

"What will remain of this limitation after the conclusion of the present Naval Conference is not yet certain, but it would seem likely that agreement will not extend beyond advance notification of annual programmes, exchange of information and certain measures of qualitative limitation on the sizes of ships and their guns."

"The agreement concluded in June, 1936, with Germany as a stabilising factor, which shows clearly the value of quantitative agreements when these can be obtained."

"The failure to arrive at a general agreement, however, does not necessarily imply an intention on the part of other Powers to develop their naval strength in such a way as to upset the balance of security, and the present plans of His Majesty's Government do not take account of any developments of this kind."

TWO NEW CAPITAL SHIPS

"The London Naval Treaty prohibits the building of new capital ships so long as it remains in force, i.e., till December 31, 1936, but the process of replacement cannot be delayed beyond that date and it is intended to make a beginning early in the calendar year 1937, when two new capital ships will be laid down. The modernisation of certain of our existing battleships will be continued."

"In cruisers the aim is to increase the total number to 70, of which 50 would be under-age and 10 over-age. Five cruisers will be included in the 1936 programme."

"A steady replacement programme for destroyers and submarines is contemplated, while in the case of sloops

and small craft generally, the present rate of construction will be continued."

ONE SMALLER AIRCRAFT CARRIER

"A new aircraft carrier, of a smaller type, will be laid down at an early date."

"The growing naval importance of the Fleet Air Arm will necessitate a considerable expansion of its present strength."

"Compared with other navies, such as those of Japan or the United States of America, the number of first line Fleet Air Arm aircraft is considerably lower than it should be and it is intended to bring it up to substantially higher figures in the course of the next few years."

"This increase will of course necessitate a corresponding increase in personnel."

"Finally it will be necessary to increase the personnel of the Navy to man the new vessels and to make good existing deficiencies. The increase must be a gradual process in order to ensure efficiency, and by March 31, 1937, the number is expected to rise by about 6,000 men."

ARMY'S THREE MAIN FUNCTIONS

"The Army has three main functions to perform; it has to maintain garrisons overseas in various parts of the Empire, to provide the military share in Home Defence, including anti-aircraft defence, coast defence and internal security, and, lastly, in time of emergency or war to provide a properly equipped force ready to proceed overseas wherever it may be wanted."

"The present peace-time serving strength of the regular military force in Great Britain is approximately 115,000 men."

INFANTRY: 4 NEW BATTALIONS

"It must be remembered that this force constitutes the only source from which immediate reinforcements to any part of the Empire can be drawn."

"Compared with 1914, our Army has been reduced by no less than 21 battalions of infantry, although our peace commitments are greater than ever before."

"Owing to this reduction of infantry we are unable to maintain the balance of home and foreign service battalions, and the result is hardship to the units which are given additional foreign service, and injury both to recruiting and to the efficiency of our Army."

"His Majesty's Government propose to raise four new battalions of infantry, which will to some extent mitigate the present difficulties of the recruiting duties, which our Imperial responsibilities place upon us."

MODERNISING FIELD ARTILLERY

"It is not intended, in connection with the present proposals, to make any further increase in the number of fighting units in the Regular Army beyond these four battalions."

"But it is urgently necessary that the Army formations already existing should be organised in the most effective form and equipped with the most modern armament and material, together with adequate reserves of ammunition and stores. Plans have been worked out for this purpose and the necessary steps are being taken to put them into operation. Particular attention is being given to our Field Artillery equipments, which will be thoroughly modernised."

TERRITORIAL ARMY TO BE RECONDITIONED

"The Territorial Army, though generally regarded as the second line in our military forces, actually pro-

Air Forces Of The Big Powers

This table shows the progress made with the R.A.F. expansion scheme begun in May last year:

	May, 1935	To Date	1937
Home Defence	580	762	1,600
Fleet Air Arm	171	189	500
Overseas	264	264	500
Machines	1,015	1,215	2,000

The additional expansion programme adds 250 machines to the Home Defence Force and approximately 150 to overseas strength 400

BRITAIN'S TOTAL FIRST-LINE STRENGTH 2,400

First-line strength of foreign Powers at present is:			
France	1,700	Russia	6,000
Germany	800	Japan	850
Italy	1,150	U.S.A.	1,250

(Comparative strengths of the Armies and Navies
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FIRSTLINE AIR STRENGTH IN BRITAIN GOING UP TO 1,750 PLANES

vides the first line in anti-aircraft and coast defence at home.

"It is recruited on the basis that it will be ready to serve wherever it may be needed, and if the Regular Army should require support abroad the Territorial Army will be called upon to give that support, serving not as drafts but in its own units and formations."

"It therefore holds an important place in our defence organisation, and it is the intention of His Majesty's Government to do all that is possible to encourage its recruiting and increase its efficiency. For the present, owing to the demands upon the capacity of industrial output which must necessarily be made in the first instance by the Regular Army, it is not possible simultaneously to recondition the Territorial Army, but a beginning will be made at once in the task of improving its present inadequate equipment and training."

DEFENDING VITAL TRADE CENTRES

"The modernisation of coast defences at defended ports at home and abroad will be proceeded with at an accelerated rate, and the reorganisation of anti-aircraft defences in the South-East of England which has already been authorised."

"The Government also consider it essential to take immediate steps to improve the housing conditions of the Army, which are at present unsatisfactory, and progress in this matter will be made as rapidly as possible during the next few years."

"AIR FORCE NEEDS MOST URGENT"

"The prime function of the Royal Air Force is to provide an effective deterrent to any attack upon the vital interests of this country whether situated at home or overseas."

"In the present situation this is the most urgent and important of our defence requirements, and it has rightly received the special attention of Parliament."

"The programme of the Royal Air Force approved by the House of Commons last year was designed to bring up the strength of the Force at home to a total of 123 squadrons with approximately 1,500 first-line aircraft."

"That programme is proceeding according to plan, but new developments in design will render it possible to make great additions to the striking power of the Force."

"The latest types of machine which will shortly come into production show such improvements in speed, range and carrying capacity as greatly to increase the operational effectiveness of the squadrons to be equipped with them."

FIRST LINE FIGURES MISLEADING

"Accordingly, the programme already approved will be varied by effecting certain changes in composition and at the same time some addition will be made to the numbers of aircraft."

"Including four new auxiliary squadrons to be formed for co-operation with the Territorial Army, the new programme will increase the first-line strength of the Royal Air Force in this country, bringing up the total to approximately 1,750 aircraft, exclusive of the Fleet Air Arm."

"First-line figures taken by themselves are, however, a misleading criterion of comparative air strength, as has been explained on many occasions, and in the present case the augmentation of offensive and defensive power which will result from the revised plans is greatly in excess of the numerical increase just mentioned."

"The problem of co-ordinated air defence is occupying the constant attention of the Committee of Imperial Defence, with the co-operation of all the Departments concerned."

"Modern methods of defence and the correlation of offensive and defensive weapons are continually under review, and the scheme has been so drawn up as to ensure the necessary degree of flexibility and the full utilisation of the results obtained from continuous scientific research and experiment."

12 SQUADRONS ON EMPIRE ROUTES

"The Royal Air Force also has responsibilities in the general scheme of Imperial defence, and with our wide Imperial responsibilities the ability to reinforce a threatened area in sufficient time and in sufficient strength demands the location of air units at convenient places on the strategic air routes."

"The Government propose an increase amounting to approximately twelve squadrons for this purpose. Mention has already been made of the four new auxiliary squadrons which will form a nucleus for co-operation with the Territorial Army. The five regular squadrons at present allotted for co-operation with the Regular Army will be reorganised to provide seven squadrons, each of twelve aircraft."

"Large numbers of young men will be needed as pilots in the Regular Air Force, the Auxiliary Squadrons and the Reserve. Many airmen will be required for enlistment to meet the varied requirements of the Service; and many boys will be needed for apprenticeship in the skilled trades."

"The available sources of supply will all have to be brought into action, and the full co-operation of the public will be needed for success."

"It is, of course, self-evident that the provision of air forces will not avail in war unless they are given the means not only to fight but to continue fighting. Skilled pilots require time and aircraft production is a lengthy and complicated undertaking."

"The provision of adequate reserves in both men and material is an essential and urgent need for without them the war effort of an Air Force could not be sustained."

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

"Particular attention has therefore been given to the provision of these reserves in the shortest possible time, and it can now be said that adequate arrangements for this purpose are in train."

"In the meantime the passive side of air defence measures has not been neglected. The Air Raid Precautions Department of the Home Office, set up in May of last year, has been actively engaged in the examination of the subject with local authorities and satisfactory progress has been made."

"Plans which have been prepared over a number of years are now approaching the stage when they can be put into operation, and estimates will be submitted in due course for the expenditure which will be required during the current year."

"Before passing to another subject, it must once more be emphasised that the plans for the improvement of our defensive forces in all three Services must be regarded as flexible and subject to variation in details from time to time."

"The whole field of preparation will have to be kept under constant review, and new conditions, whether arising from changes in the dispositions of other nations or from fresh develop-

CLOSE WATCH ON PROFITS

INSPECTION OF BOOKS

ments in design and invention, must be met by corresponding variations in our own plans."

"In presenting to Parliament a scheme of improved defence so far-reaching in character and likely to involve so heavy a financial outlay," says the third section, "His Majesty's Government desire particularly to stress the fact that these proposals have resulted from a thorough study of the subject of defence as a whole."

"The examination of the problem was entrusted in the first instance to a Sub-Committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence."

"This Committee was composed of the Secretary to the Committee of Imperial Defence, the Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and the Chiefs of Staff of the three Defence Services."

"Their conclusions were submitted to the Defence Policy and Requirements Committee, presided over by the Prime Minister, and on his invitation, and in view of the importance of the industrial side of the question, Lord Weir became a member of this Committee and gave his active assistance in formulating the recommendations which they made to the Cabinet."

"The Defence Policy and Requirements Committee has served in effect both as a General Purpose Committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence and as a Committee of liaison between the Committee of Imperial Defence and the Cabinet."

CABINET HAS BEEN CAREFUL

"Not only the general conception of the defence plans now brought forward, but every detail included in the scheme, have been the subject of close examination and scrutiny by the Committee and subsequently by the whole Cabinet."

"In the opinion of His Majesty's Government they represent a thoroughly considered and well-balanced whole so far as conditions can be foreseen at this moment."

"In the future they will no doubt require adjustment from time to time as well as continuous supervision and pressure to ensure their execution."

"For this purpose the existing organisation for defence has been reviewed afresh and the changes which have been approved by His Majesty's Government were announced by the Prime Minister on Feb. 27."

"[This statement on the appointment of a "Deputy Defence Minister" was printed in full in the *News Chronicle*.]

"It will be seen," continues the White Paper, "that the new arrangements contemplated are intended to serve two purposes, namely, to provide an improved and strengthened apparatus for the consideration of Defence problems as a whole and to ensure the fullest and most effective use of the industrial capacity and the man-power available for production of material in this country. The second of these two objectives requires some further elaboration."

CO-OPERATION WITH EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS

"The problem before us differs materially from that with which we were faced in the Great War. At that time the whole energies of the country were devoted to winning the war and nothing else. Special powers were entrusted to the Government which enabled them to exercise complete control over industry and to direct it into any desired channel."

"To-day we are at peace and moreover we are living in a period of great commercial and industrial activity."

"What we have to do is to carry through, in a limited period of time, measures which will make exceptionally heavy demands upon certain branches of industry and upon certain classes of skilled labour, without imposing a course of normal trade."

"This will require the most careful organisation and the willing co-operation both of the leaders of industry and of trade unions if our task is to be successfully accomplished. But the Government have every confidence that these conditions will be fulfilled."

IMMENSE RESERVES OR ORGANISED CAPACITY

"Consideration of the position showed that there were really two different requirements to be met. One has already been stated in the foregoing paragraph, and concerns the carrying out of a peace-time programme. The other concerns our readiness for war itself."

"Modern war conditions involve a vast expenditure of munitions and equipment, and in the early months of the Great War there was a tragic loss of life in consequence of the lack of adequate reserves."

"If we are to avoid a repetition of that tragedy in any future war and to provide by our preparations an increased deterrent, we must prepare ourselves either by accumulating immense reserves or by so organising industry that it can rapidly change over at the vital points from commercial to war production should the necessity arise."

"The first alternative, however, is only feasible within limits, and beyond that it is ruled out not only on account of its cost, but because weapons and methods of warfare are continually changing, and these accumulated reserves might therefore well become obsolete before they were required."

"His Majesty's Government, therefore, have turned to the second alternative, and they have already taken some preliminary steps towards putting it into operation."

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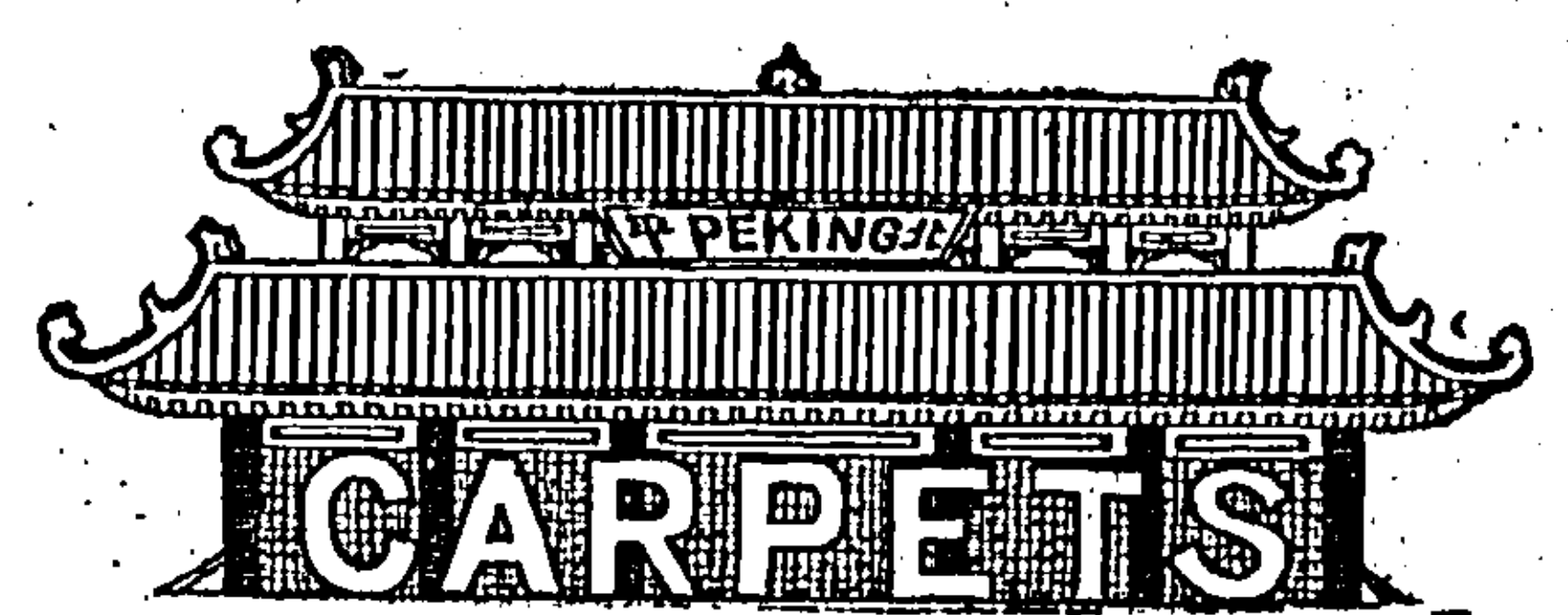
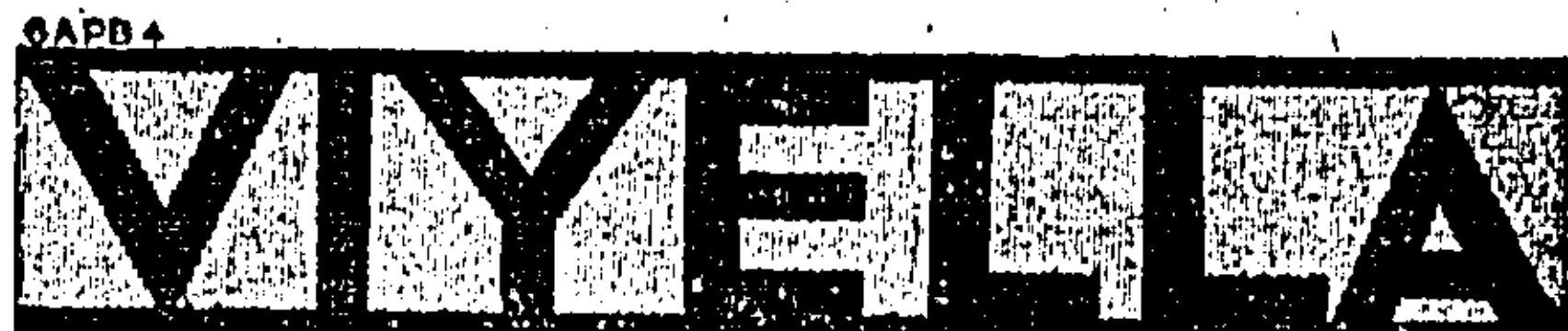
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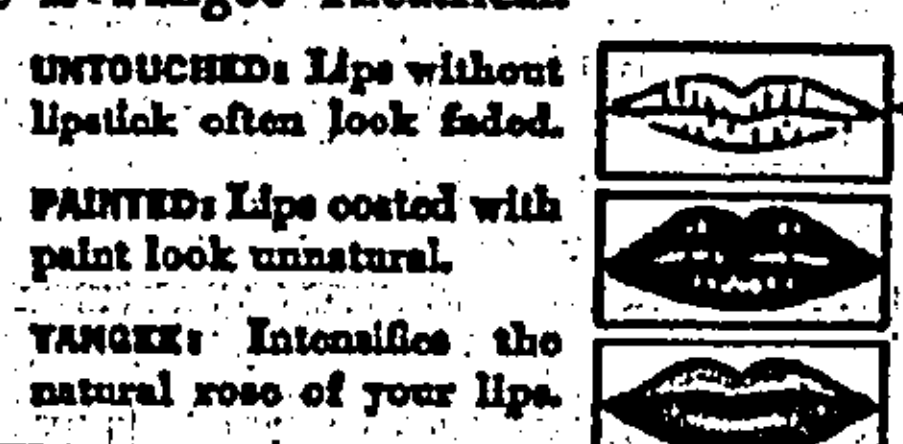
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MARKET QUIET YESTERDAY

New York, March 30. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market: Traders are on side-lines, awaiting indication of a particular trend. The market ignored the news that steel mill operations had been cut 62 per cent. and the better situation regarding the French franc. The market was meaningless. Farm-impement and mail-order stocks were in good demand. Silver stocks improved. Railroad stocks irregular, but motor stocks casted. The bonds market and curb stocks were dull and irregular.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Wall Street Journal comment on 29/3 market: "The second quarter automobile production is likely to be moderately above that of the first quarter. The market's symptoms remain indeterminate and trendless, while the shrinking volume of business emphasises the fact that traders lack confidence. The release of Bonus money in June should aid shares of companies which are producing consumer goods. If the market is at present undesirable it is so in those sections which have advanced more on expectation than on accomplishment. Retailers say that Easter business is the best in history in some departments. S. C. & F. market office cables: Stocks: The market was moderately lower in a dull session, reflecting the temporary lack of interest. The United States Supreme Court refuses the Burco test of the Utility Act. Steel mill production has sharply recovered and sugar prices advanced 15 points to 5 cents per lb. The Times business index for the past week is 91.5, against 94.5 the previous week.

Cotton: Further strength in nears is probable on the scarcity of immediate supplies. The Fossick Bureau estimates a probable average increase of 10 per cent., but possibly 25 per cent. Wheat: The continued absence of rain in the South-West is contributing to the firmness of the market. The visible supply of wheat has decreased by 1,149,000 bushels. The Canadian visible supply indicates a decrease of 1,238,000 bushels. Rubber: The foreign currency situation is restricting trade. We think that purchases are advisable on easy spots. The British stock of rubber has declined by 1,510 tons. Special.—Steel mill activity during the past week is estimated at 62 per cent. of capacity, against 53 cent. the previous week.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages: March 28, March 30.
30 Industrials 155.54 155.37
20 Utilities 47.10 46.81
40 Bonds 101.81 101.74
11 Commodity Index 57.51 57.64

EXCHANGE

TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

Selling
T.T. Demand 1/8 1/4
T.T. Singapore 1/8 1/4
T.T. Shanghai 1/8 1/4
T.T. Japan 1/8 1/4
T.T. India 1/8 1/4
T.T. France 1/8 1/4
T.T. Hongkong 1/8 1/4
T.T. Manila 1/8 1/4
T.T. Bangkok 1/8 1/4
T.T. Saigon 1/8 1/4
T.T. Lisbon 1/8 1/4
Buying
4 m/s. L/O 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. D/P 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. L/O 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. San Francisco & New York 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. France 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. London 1/4 1/4

The forthcoming wedding is announced of the well-known football player, Mr. Sidney Herbert Strange, and Miss Elizabeth Barclay, wedding at 1, Russell Street, Mr. Strange is a land ball in the Ping Shan Land Office, New Territories.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Thirty-first Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, 8th April, 1936, at noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 28th March to 8th April, 1936, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.

General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1936.

CORRESPONDENCE

Kowloon Tong Church

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—We would like to make a further announcement about the laying of the foundation stone of the new Anglican Church at Kowloon Tong by His Excellency the Governor which takes place to-day at 6 p.m.

The Bishop of Hongkong, clergy, and members of the congregation have been asked to assemble at the present Church House No. 3 Duke St. at 5.30 p.m. and a procession will be formed to the site of the new church; members of other churches are invited to join in the procession if they wish to do so. Space will also be reserved at the site itself, and those not taking part in the procession are asked to be in their places not later than 5.55 p.m. when His Excellency will arrive. At the conclusion of the ceremony, there will be a collection for the building fund. The fund can be reached by taking No. 7 bus from the Star Ferry and is situated on the right side of Waterloo Rd. about 200 yds. beyond its junction with Prince Edward Rd.

Pastoral Committee, Kowloon Tong Anglican Church.
R. ASHTON HILL, Chairman.

Taipo Rural Orphanage

Sir,—I submit for the favour of insertion in your newspaper a list of subscriptions made to the Funds of the above Orphanage at the Tree Planting Ceremony on Monday afternoon last:

Mr. Ho Kom Tong, O.B.E. \$100
Sir Thomas and Lady Southern 60
Mr. P. Schneider 50
Rev. H. W. Baines 5
Mr. and Mrs. Cathie 3
Dr. Arthur Woo 2
Mrs. Lee 2
Mrs. Lei 2

\$1 each from the following:—
Mr. Chan, Mr. Lam, Mr. Lam, Mr. Tang Wong Chin-nam, Mr. Ma Yiu-ting, Mrs. W. Grant, Mr. Li Yui, Mr. Lok, Miss Yu Shau-wah, Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Wing-kue, Mr. Chung Ngai, Mr. Li Woon, Mr. Li Ching, Mr. Liu Chee-koon and Mr. Wong Siu-ping.

JOHN BENTLEY,
Joint Hon. Treasurer.

PHILIPPINE GOLD MINING SHARES

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts received the following buying and selling quotations from their Manila Agents this morning:—
Bonguet Consolidated 11.50 11.50
Antamoks 1.50 1.40
United Paracales40 .43
San Mauricio69 .70
I. X. L. A.58 No sellers
Nababete45 .41
Demonstrations41 .41
Big Wedges16 .17

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz shortly after opening of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:

	Aasked	Bid
Antamoks	P. 1.40	P. 1.30
Bonguet	11.50	11.50
Demonstrations	.42	.41
Nababete	.45	.44
Salaceta	.09	.08
San Mauricio	.77	.73
Suyoc	.28	.27
United Paracales	.42	.40

EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 27.	Mar. 28.
Paris	75.1/4	75.7/4
Geneva	15.16	15.22 1/2
Berlin	12.31	12.37
Milan	62 1/2	73 1/2
Athens	518	518
New York	4.95	4.94 1/2
Amsterdam	7.28	7.31 1/2
Vienna	20 1/2	20 1/2
Prague	110 1/4	110 1/4
Bucharest	670	670
Madrid	38.5/18	38 1/2
Lisbon	10 1/4	10 1/4
Hongkong	1/3 1/4	1/3 1/4
Bombay	1/4 1/2	1/4 1/2
Brussels	29.23 1/2	29.23 1/2
Monte Video	39.7/18	39 1/2
Belgrade	217	217
Montreal	4.57 1/2	4.57 1/2
Yokohama	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Silver (Spot)	19.15/16	19.15/16
Silver (forward) 1936	19 1/2	19 1/2
War Loan	100 1/2	100 1/2

—British Wireless.

SPURIOUS COIN PROSECUTION

CARETAKER FOUND NOT GUILTY

The case in which Siu Ching-chiu, 30, caretaker employed by the Land Investment Company at Prince's Building, was charged with the possession of 176 counterfeit Hongkong ten-cent pieces, of the old issue, was concluded before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning, when the defendant was discharged.

Mr. P. H. Sin appeared for the defence, while Detective Sergeant Guild prosecuted.

The coins were found in a suitcase the keys to which the defendant held.

Chiu Kwan, cook employed at 97, Wanchai Road, whom the defendant alleged had planted the coins, denied the allegation.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sin, witness said he was formerly employed with the defendant, but was dismissed for misconduct.

Mr. Sin: Is it not true that you are very keen in getting the defendant's job?—No.

Have you a grudge against the defendant?—No.

I put it to you that the counterfeit coins belong to you?—No.

Can you give any good reason why the defendant should say you were before him?—No.

Defendant testified that the coins were not his. He suggested that the last witness might have put something in his bag while he was asleep as his keys were accessible.

THE DEFENCE

Addressing the Bench, Mr. Sin said it was a rather unusual case as the defendant had denied all along that the coins were his. He incriminated Chiu Kwan and he pointed out the man who was detained and now appeared in a view to new for prosecution. Defendant alleged that Chiu Kwan was the last man in his room and had a meal with him. Chiu Kwan was dismissed from employment at the Land Investment Company for misconduct and obviously he (Kwan) reached to it that he had no counterfeit coins directly the defendant had been arrested.

"It might be quite possible that these coins had been planted in the defendant's bag by Chiu Kwan," remarked Mr. Sin, with a view to getting him into trouble and in consequence he might have got his job at the Land Investment Company. There is more in this case than we know. By reason of the doubt's allegation a very grave doubt has been raised and I ask your Worship to give the benefit of the doubt to the defendant and discharge him."

CHILD PROTECTION FOR

FLAG DAY ARRANGED FOR

The public will have an opportunity of showing its appreciation of the work of the Society for the Protection of Children on Saturday, when a street sale of flowers on its behalf will be held. The event is being organised by the Women's Auxiliary of the Society, and it is hoped that a liberal response to its effort will be forthcoming.

The Society is in urgent need of funds with which to carry on its work for the sick and destitute children of the Colony. How widespread that work is will be gathered from the fact that since the foundation in 1930, the Society has investigated 4,292 cases involving the welfare of over 8,000 children.

Last year, the Society secured medical treatment for over 400 sick children and provided milk or other food for 897. It also maintained 24 destitute children in institutions, and provided medical supplies and milk foods for the Children's Hospital at Shamshuipo which dealt with 3,627 patients.

A point to be emphasised is that all cases undertaken by the Society are most strictly scrutinised, and some idea of the extent of the poverty encountered may be gathered from the fact that the average income per head per month of the families assisted in February was only \$1.45.

BRITAIN CONDEMNS USE OF GAS

(Continued from Page 1.)

were opposed not only to the principles of Christianity but to the most elementary principles of humanity itself. He would be immensely relieved if an assurance could be given that these charges were either unfounded or greatly exaggerated. But if those charges were true and well founded, he hoped the people of the world would be ready to enter a solemn expostulation and protest.

Replying for the Government, Lord Halifax said he wished it were in his power to give an assurance that there was no foundation for these reports. He said he had not in his power to consider and decide on appropriate action. But if the reports were true, it would be the duty and desire of His Majesty's Government to use his utmost efforts to secure not only a practical condemnation of so great outrage upon civilisation, but also to take whatever steps were possible to secure the world against a recurrence of an action so condemned.—British Wireless.

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BRITISH AIRWAYS DEFENDED

(Continued from Page 1)

B. D. Dube, an Indian resident of Penang, who intends joining the N.Y.K. liner Chichibu Maru here and sails to-morrow for Japan.

Captain Lock stated that the trip had been uneventful. The plane left Penang at 6 a.m. yesterday, arrived at Saigon at 10.45 a.m. After an hour's rest they set out for Touraine, arriving there at 3.15 p.m. and staying overnight. The Dorado set out again at 6 o'clock this morning and arrived here at 11.30 a.m.

Approximately the same amount of mail arrived by the plane as she carried away last week. There were 18 bags in all and two packages of registered letters. Five of these bags were from London to Hongkong and eight from London to Canton. One bag came from Darwin, one from Penang and one from Singapore.

The plane also carried a spare exhaust pipe which will be left here. The total weight of the plane's load was 40,886 kilograms.

CLEMENCY APPEAL REFUSED

(Continued from Page 1)

Harold Hoffman has now declared that he cannot reprieve the prisoner.

The ruling of the Court of Pardons, attorney Paul Wendel who was yesterday charged with murder in a warrant sworn by a County detective chief in New Jersey. Officials here agree Wendel will never be indicted by the Grand Jury.

Following her visit to the death cell, Mrs. Hauptmann today declared that her husband was still calm and confident he would not die. However, she collapsed when learning of the Court of Pardons' verdict.—United Press.

CLOUDY WEATHER

The anticyclone has decreased in intensity, and is moving eastward, pressure being highest in the vicinity of Shanghai. A depression is moving westward between Y and Peking. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh to moderating; cloudy generally.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Date and Time
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala March 31.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 5th March and London	Parcels—London, 27th February—and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" (London, 17th March) and "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam, 21st March).
Shanghai	Carthage April 1.
Manila	Diomed April 1.
Shanghai, Foochow and Amoy	Emp. of Canada April 1.
Calcutta and Straits	Suiyang April 1.
Haiphong	Suisang April 2.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 14th March)	G. G. Paul Doumer April 3.
Saigon	Hawaii Maru April 3.
Australia and Manila	Pres. McKinley April 3.
Straits	Marchal Joffre April 4.
Manila	Nelloro April 4.
Straits	Menelaus April 6.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln April 6.
Straits	Cremor April 7.
Shanghai	Hector April 7.
Manila	Menestheus April 7.
	Potsdam April 7.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Date and Time
Samahui and Wuchow	Tolshan Tues. Mar. 31, 4 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln Tues. Mar. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	General Sherman Tues. Mar. 31, 5 p.m.
	Wednesday.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., C. and S. America, "Canada and "Europe via San Francisco, and "Europe via Siberia.	Reg. Mar. 31, 5 p.m.
(Due San Francisco, 22nd April).	Chengtu Wed. Apr. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Fooshing Wed. Apr. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tjisadane Wed. Apr. 1, 10.30 p.m.
Saigon via Swatow	Shunchih Wed. Apr. 1, 11.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hal Ning Wed. Apr. 1, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan Wed. Apr. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Straits	Diomed Wed. Apr. 1, 4.30 p.m.
	Thursday.
Straits	Van Heutz Thurs. Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Manila	Rhuxner Thurs. Apr. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Siberia.	Carthage Thurs. Apr. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon	Helikon Thurs. Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial Airways direct R.M.A. Dorado Thurs. Apr. 2 Service"
	Friday.
London, 13th April	R.P.O.
Reg. April 2, 5.00 p.m.	Reg. April 2, 5.00 p.m.
Letters April 2, 5.00 p.m.	Letters April 2, 5.30 p.m.
Letters for Australia by Imperial R. M. A. Dorado Thurs. Apr. 2 "Airways Service"
	Saturday.
Due Darwin 7th April	R.P.O.
Reg. April 2, 5.00 p.m.	Reg. April 2, 5.00 p.m.
Letters April 2, 5.00 p.m.	Letters April 2, 5.30 p.m.
	Sunday.
Holhow	Mulnam Fri. Apr. 3, 9.30 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Nankin Fri. Apr. 3.
Zealand via Brisbane.	Parcels Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
(Due Brisbane, 20th April):	Reg. Apr. 3, 8.45 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and "Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) and "Europe via Siberia.	Parcels Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 22nd April).	Letters Apr. 3, 9.15 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kingyuan Fri. Apr. 3, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Hawaii Maru Fri. Apr. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Africa.	
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—Due Amsterdam, 13th April	Ranchi Sat. April 4.
	G.P.O.
Reg. April 4, 8.30 a.m.	Reg. April 4, 9.00 a.m.
Letters April 4, 9.00 a.m.	Letters April 4, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Ranchi Sat. Apr. 4.
Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles.	
(Due Marseilles, 1st May).	G.P.O.
Parcels Apr. 3, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
Reg. Apr. 4, 9 a.m.	Reg. Apr. 4, 9.45 a.m.
Letters Apr. 4, 10 a.m.	Letters Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukien Maru Sat. April 4, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Marseilles Sat. Apr. 4, 1.30 p.m.
Siberia.	Kwangtung Sat. Apr. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Pres. McKinley
Manila	Sat. Apr. 4, 4.30 p.m.
	Sunday.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru Sun. April 5, 9 a.m.
	Monday.
Fort Bayard, Hehe, Pakhoi G. G. Paul Doumer	Mon. Apr. 6, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	"Superscribed correspondence only."

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QUEEN'S TO-MORROW

Dr. Eckener Will Fly Over London

ZEPPELIN ARRIVES IN APRIL

TOLD THAT VISIT WILL BE PERMITTED

Friedrichshafen, Mar. 20. GERMANY'S new Zeppelin, LZ129, will fly over London sometime in the next two weeks.

To-day Dr. Hugo Eckener, the famous pilot, was informed that the authorities in England would not impose any restrictions except those dealing with naval and military zones.

"In that event," said Dr. Eckener, "it is certain that I shall fly the new airship over London because I have many friends in Britain who are interested in it. I know they are anxious to see it, and it is probable that I shall fly over England on a trial trip."

NO MOORING MAST
"I am writing to the British Air Ministry for formal permission to make this flight and I do not know whether a landing will be made in England."

"If I decide to make a landing I shall notify the Air Ministry in good time for arrangements to be made."

"The new airship does not need a mooring mast. I think the experts will be surprised when they see how easily it can be handled by a small ground staff."

"To my mind, it is the most beautiful craft we have designed, and I should like England to see it before it goes on regular service. We estimate its cruising speed to be over 80 miles an hour and it can make a non-stop voyage of about 10,000 miles."

THE HINDENBURG

"There are to be three trial flights over the lake and a fourth over a greater distance. It may be that this fourth flight will include England."

"Herr Hitler has taken a keen personal interest in the building of the airship, but I have not yet heard whether he intends to be a passenger on one of the trial flights."

"This new airship will show the world how much advanced are the methods of construction and flight in this time of craft."

The new Zeppelin is to be named the Hindenburg. It is believed to be ten miles an hour faster than the Graf Zeppelin.

It is driven by four Diesel engines housed in gondolas on the sides.

Woman Drives To An Execution Dressed As A Man

Draguignan (France), Mar. 25.

A woman dressed in man's clothing was found to be driving her lorry containing the executioner's equipment for the execution of a man named Sasia, known as the "Killer of Shepherds," outside the prison at Draguignan, to-day.

She had to wear man's clothing because women are not allowed officially to be witnesses at an execution. She was recognised and removed. —United Press.

NURSES AND DOCTOR GASSED IN OPERATION

OPERATING ROOM FILLED WITH CARBON MONOXIDE DURING BIRTH OF BABY

Woburn, Mass., Mar. 20. Gas felled two nurses, partly overcame a third, and rendered the attending physician almost unconscious during the birth of a baby in the operating room of a Woburn hospital last night.

A nurse flung open the doors and staggered out to tell others that two nurses were unconscious on the floor inside and Dr. Thomas F. Halpin was on the verge of collapse.

The fresh blast of air from the open doors helped revive Dr. Halpin. Another doctor hurried to his aid, but before he arrived Dr. Halpin struggled through the delivery. Neither mother nor child apparently suffered any lasting ill effects.

Dr. Halpin, still ill to-day after his experience, said he believed the room had been filled with carbon monoxide gas, but ventured no opinion as to its origin.

He said the operating room had been closed and that engineers would study the room and its equipment to discover the source of the fumes.

"I first became aware of a severe headache," Dr. Halpin said, "and I couldn't breathe because of a sharp pain in the chest."

IT PAYS To Advertise

The Lord Mayor of London (Sir Stephen Kallick) recited the following ditty to prove that advertising pays:—
"The codfish lays ten thousand eggs
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To tell you what she's done,
And so we scorn the codfish;
And the homely hen we prize;
Which demonstrates to you and me
That it pays to advertise."

BEATTY'S STORY OF JUTLAND

STOLEN LETTER

HOW an "astonishing" letter from the late Earl Beatty was stolen was revealed in London this month by the Dean of Windsor.

"Beatty, who was one of my greatest friends, wrote the letter to me immediately after the Battle of Jutland," the Dean said.

"It was a remarkable document, 10 to 12 pages in length, and of an extremely personal nature."

"FRIGHTFULLY UPSET"

"It was the spontaneous letting-off of steam of a man very full of his subject and at the moment frightfully upset by the loss of his friends."

"He described the battle, his feelings, the tragic loss of his friends—everything. In fact, that was passing through his mind."

"It was so intimate a letter that I did not show it even to my wife. I was at Coventry at the time. I put the letter away carefully in a cupboard."

"A couple of months later, when I looked for it, the letter had vanished."

"I cannot have any doubts but that it was stolen."

"Somebody must have seen it and taken it, but who this person was or how it happened I have never been able to think."

NEVER TOLD

"I did not even tell anyone that I had received it."

"It was not the sort of letter anyone would dare to publish. If whoever has it returns it to me I shall hand it over to Beatty's family."

"It might be used in future years as a most interesting historical document. I am revealing the circumstances of its loss in case it ever does come to light."

The Dean explained that as young men he and Beatty became firm friends.

They had long talks and rides together.

Beatty used to sign himself "David B." in his letters. He has a number of other personal letters from him, but they are of purely private interests.

WAS HE FIRST MAN AT NORTH POLE?



Frederick Cook, whose claim 30 years ago that he was the first man to reach the North Pole was discredited, is making new efforts to prove that he actually did beat Perry.

DEBABELISE BASIC ENGLISH WAY TO PROGRESS

NEW WORLD SPEECH

In all leading countries to-day, groups of clever people are working out the idea that the best way to push the world ahead is to put it back to where it was before the Tower of Babel.

In other words, "Debabilisation" seems to thinkers of to-day the best means of getting the nations to understand one another. They need a common language.

For Basic English, the latest attempt to provide one, the prospects seem specially good.

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"Basic English" is the name its friends give it. They have gone through the word-book with a small-tooth comb, taking out great masses of words as unimportant and unnecessary. They have kept 850 words only. You may put them all on a page of notepaper. This selection gives us a language which takes only a short time in the learning and in the narrow limits of which it is possible to put across any everyday thought that may come to mind.

Before you read any further, take a backward glance at the last two paragraphs. They are in Basic English, which in them explains itself.

In Many Lands

A selection of 850 words which have the power of covering the greater part of the range of man's interests has been worked out by Mr. C. K. Ogden, of the Orthological Institute, Cambridge University. These, together with certain rules, make up a remarkably practicable language, which is being used by groups in lands as far apart as Japan, Mexico, Iceland and Czechoslovakia.

"We find fully 1500 languages acting as barriers to world understanding," says Mr. Ogden. "India alone has 200 languages; the Soviet Republic has 20."

The outstanding advantage of Basic English is that it is not an artificial construction, like Esperanto, Ido, Volapuk and others. It is a simplification of a living speech, and that speech is itself in a unique position to-day, being the natural language or the language of government for more than 500,000,000 people.

English is the language of commerce, it is displacing French as the language of diplomacy. Every important scientific work has to be put into English, and the motion picture is compelling thousands in foreign-speaking countries to learn the language of the films they love.

Books in "Basic English" A simplified form of it seems destined to be the common speech of mankind. Basic English is so skilfully worked out that in England itself books have been published in it without readers being aware of it.

"Twentieth Century Houses," an illustrated book on architecture, is a notable example. It is a book of 80,000 words, and it uses only the 850 words of Basic English, and the compounds it easily provides—such as "designer," "designing," from "design" one of the 850.

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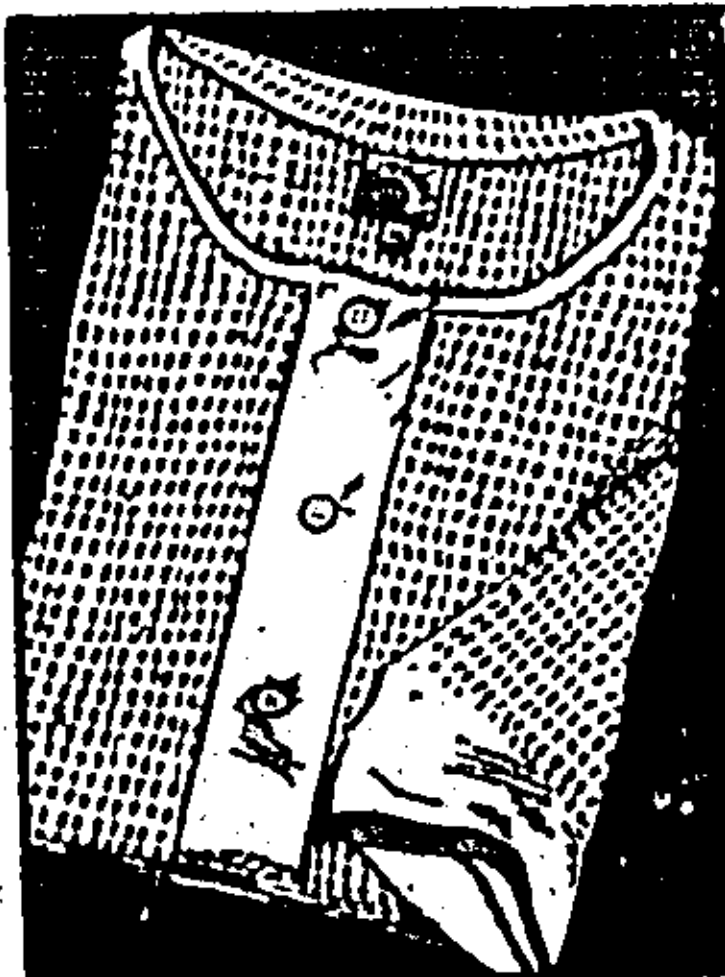
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COLONY FINANCES

Detailed figures of the Colony's finances for the year 1935, now issued, bear evidence of the effects of high exchange on expenditure, with the result that the twelve months ended with a balance of revenue over outgoings totalling close on \$139,000. Actually, the year's income was \$28,430,549, whilst expenditure totalled \$28,291,636. When we come to compare revenue with the Budget estimate, we find there is a shrinkage of more than two million dollars, this reflecting, in turn, a drop of some \$1,143,000 as against the year 1934. Under only two headings are increases shown when contrasted with the previous year—more than a million dollars in respect of miscellaneous service, and over \$51,000 on interest. The biggest drop is one of \$881,000 on licences and internal revenue not otherwise specified, whilst land sales declined by \$313,000. How marked the last-named shrinkage is may be gathered from the fact that on an expectation of \$600,000 only \$244,000 was actually brought in. Turning to expenditure, we find that on an estimate of \$32,556,102, the outgoings were only \$28,291,636, a drop of over four million dollars, whilst compared with the year 1934 there was a saving of over \$2,800,000. There are increases shown under nine headings and decreases under no less than thirty. The biggest drop in outgoings was \$932,000 in respect of Public Works Extraordinary, and it is of interest to note that the total decline in respect of all P.W.D. votes was over \$1,600,000. The financial position at the end of the year disclosed a balance of assets over liabilities totalling more than twelve million dollars. Up to that stage, therefore, the policy of retaining a credit of at least ten million dollars had been realised. Due to the exchange factor, however, the position has since taken a decided turn for the worse. In this connection, it has to be borne in mind that the Budget for last year was based on a 1s. 4d. dollar, whereas actually the average figure for the year worked out at a much higher level. This point has to be remembered when comparing actual expenditure with the estimate. For the current year, the Budget is calculated on a 1s. 8d. dollar, and it is obvious that nothing like this rate is likely to be realised. This is the circumstance which has put a totally different complexion on the Colony's finances, necessitating the imposition of salary cuts and other forms of retrenchment. Rumours are in



The world washes its hands and postpones death by doing so. It uses the waste product, GLYCERINE, to blow itself to pieces.

PICK up a cake of soap from your washstand, tell yourself that this little compound of oil and alkali has changed human life in the last century more than all the Acts of all the Governments together. Reflect that it has done more to preserve the life and health of man than any other discovery ever made. Consider that without it it would be impossible for the woollen, cotton, silk, wire-drawing, tanning, dyeing and finishing industries to carry on for another day. Then ask your friends to tell you what it is.

"A thing modern life cannot do without" seems to be the nearest thing to a definition. Chemically its components vary from brand to brand. Legally no description of it has yet been given by the Courts.

There is no patent attached to the name—any compound of fats, salt and water can be sold as soap—even if the water is 80 per cent. of it. I suppose the simplest way to define soap is "a chemical reaction resulting

from the mixture of fat and the salt of fatty acids (alkali)."

Having set out what it is as nearly as possible, let us now set out what it has done, a far simpler thing, for the figures of rising soap consumption in Britain over the last 80 years equated with the figures of a falling death-rate really answer that question by themselves.

Year	Total soap consumption per 1,000	Deaths per 1,000
1815	90,000 tons	22
1907	360,000 tons	14
1935	500,000 tons	12

These figures for a normal year, showing the amount of toilet soap used in a few countries, with the comparative death-rate in them, are extremely interesting:

Country	Consumption per head (toilet soap) per 1,000	Deaths per 1,000
Denmark	1.6lb.	10.4
Germany	1.4lb.	(11.1)
Great Britain and Ireland	1.2lb.	12.0
Italy	1.0lb.	14.0
France	0.8lb.	15.0

The figures must, of course, be taken with caution and reserve.

NOTES OF THE DAY

TRADE REVIVAL

The great effects of the trade depression of six or seven years ago have been made more and more manifest by the public attitude to the trade revival during the past two years. While welcoming all the prevalent signs of growing prosperity the British public has viewed it with a certain caution. The slump affected the people so profoundly that they hesitated for long to adopt an absolutely confident attitude towards even obvious improvement. Now that that period of cautious watchfulness appears to be ended, there is a quiet confidence in the financial and commercial condition of the country, and in the prospects for the future. Fortunately financial and trade returns continue to justify this faith in the country's prosperity. The latest figures show that the national revenue is improved. There is a boom in the iron and steel trades. Sheffield is producing more steel than ever before in its whole history. Since 1931 its production has increased by 110 per cent. During the past three years unemployment in Sheffield has fallen from 57,397 to 29,721, and the amount paid in wages has increased by 75 per cent. The motor car industry is also working at full pressure; orders for early spring deliveries are greater than ever before. Electricity production during January exceeded that of a year ago by nearly fifteen per cent. There is more activity in the building, furniture and boot and shoe trades, and in the gas industry. Even the cotton industry, which has lagged behind for so many years, is now improving. This looks like what we used to call prosperity.

circulation of the probability of fresh taxation to meet the situation. On general lines, there will be objection to any such course of action, in addition to which account has to be taken of the danger of undue taxation defeating its own ends. One thing is certain, namely, that any proposals, at this juncture, for adding to existing taxes or for the introduction of new imposts will be most closely scrutinised before being assented to by Unofficial members of the Council or endorsed by public opinion.

WASHING
the
WORLD

By George Edinger

A table of the total soap consumption of all kinds in the chief countries of the world is interesting to read, and the reader can draw his own conclusions from it.

Country	lbs. per head a year
British Isles	18
Austria	10
Belgium	20
Denmark	21
France	18
Germany	15
Holland	25
Italy	10
Yugo-Slavia	2
Poland	3
China	1/2
U.S.A.	22
Soviet Union	6

It is striking to contrast the figures for toilet soap only with those that denote the total consumption of soap of all kinds. Thus, Germany, which comes high on the list for the consumption of toilet soap at 1.4lb. a head of population compared with 0.8lb. in France, drops in her total consumption to the ratio of 16 to 18. In Britain the consumption of toilet soap works out at 1.2lb. a head out of a total consumption of 18lb.

So we use one pound a year to wash our hands and 17lb. each to wash our clothes and our walls, our wool and the coverings of silk cocoons; and to lubricate wire for wire drawing and soften hides for tanning.

Although the Romans learnt how to make soap 2,000 years ago out of gonts' fat and the ashes of beech trees (they brought the art back from Gaul, into which it had been introduced by the Phoenician traders who settled at Marseilles), it did not come into England until the time of Richard II. And it

remained an expensive luxury till within living memory. For one thing it was extremely expensive to make till the discovery in the last century of a way to manufacture the necessary alkali out of common salt; and the introduction about the same time of coconut oil to replace the expensive olive oil. For another it was heavily taxed by successive British Governments, so that in 1852, when the tax was finally removed, the 100,000 tons made in this country (allowing a consumption of 4 lb. each) paid one million pounds to the Exchequer.

Although soap became available to all at a reasonable price after 1852, it was some time before the fact was appreciated. Between the outbreak of war in the Crimea early in September, 1854, and the arrival of Miss Florence Nightingale in November, the authorities at the base hospital in Scutari had managed to wash seven shirts. But from then, the manufacture went ahead fast till it received in the last war a sudden stimulus that looks like undoing all that it has done to preserve human life, by revealing a new method of destroying it.

For it was suddenly discovered that the waste material after the soap was finished was glycerine, an indispensable component of the nitro-glycerine of which high-explosives are made. It is rather a melancholy comment in human progress that, whereas glycerine had been a by-product of soap till then, soap soon became a by-product of glycerine, the means to prolong life an incidental to the agent of its destruction.

STRANGE COINCIDENCES

I daresay a great number of people have at some time or other of their lives experienced some very strange coincidences.

Some of these happenings are really so startling that it would almost seem as if a spiritual spirit with a keen sense of humour were allowed at certain seasons to poke his nose into our affairs. I give here a few instances which have happened to myself and have made a deep impression on my mind.

The first coincidence occurred a good many years ago, when I was a young man of 25 or so. I had returned to Edinburgh after spending a few days in London on holiday, and one morning I received a letter from a lady friend in that city asking me to procure her, if possible, a spray of Scottish white heather. To tell the truth, I was a little bothered by this

request, simple as it was, as I had no idea where to procure the flower wanted. It worried me all that afternoon, but eventually I dismissed it from my mind.

Next morning on unlocking the door of my dining premises I was amazed to find lying on the floor, four or five sprigs of beautiful white heather, fresh as the hour at which they had been plucked.

These had obviously been pushed through the letter-box, but as I had mentioned the matter to nobody, for what purpose this was done, and by whom, has remained from that day to this an unexplained mystery.

Racing Incidents

Another curious coincidence occurred some five years ago. I had received from the library a novel called "Double Life," by Grant Richards, and settled down for a comfortable evening's reading. The story was quite interesting, dealing with a young married woman who, without the knowledge of her husband, was engaging in an occasional "flutter" on the turf. She had surreptitiously purchased a race-horse and so got the result of the first race she bought an evening paper, opened it, and slowly ran her eye down the racing column. The first thing that caught her attention were the words in large letters, "Surprise win of Nant Coch."

I paused then—where had I just seen "these words"? Then I remembered. I rose hastily and reopened my newspaper and there at the head of the racing column, in large letters were the words, "Surprise win of Nant Coch. Wins by a short head at 20 to 1."

His Favourite Barber

My last coincidence occurred just three days ago. I had an appointment with my dentist, whom I have known for many years. I left my business premises in good time for this, but decided to break my journey and call upon a new customer (we shall call him Mr. Lees) and personally deliver a garment he had ordered two days before.

I interviewed Mr. Lees, found everything satisfactory and proceeded to keep my appointment. Chatting away in a desultory fashion with my dentist friend, he mentioned casually he was going down town to get his hair cut. Just as casually I inquired where he generally got this operation performed. "Oh," he said, "I always go to Messrs. So-and-So, but there is only one man there, I allow, to cut my hair—Mr. Lees."

Ye Gods! out of Edinburgh's population of four hundred thousand inhabitants, he had selected the man I had left ten minutes before. Queer, wasn't it?

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"I'm giving you just one week to pay those claims and you know I never stand for any monkey business."

White Paper On Defence

ORGANISING INDUSTRY FOR WAR WORK

FIRMS TO LAY DOWN PLANT

GUARANTEE OF PEACE TIME ORDERS

(Continued from Page 5.)

"Our present sources of supply are the Government factories and the normal Government contractors, who, in peace, manufacture various types of armament."

"The Government factories are chiefly responsible for a special kind of output which is generally not obtainable elsewhere. This includes the production of explosives and propellants, the filling of shells and cartridges and the manufacture of fuses, bombs, mines and torpedoes. To meet present requirements in these categories it will be necessary to extend or duplicate existing Government factories, and both vulnerability of site and the needs of the Special Arms will receive consideration."

"The normal Government contractors supply warships, aircraft, artillery, machine-guns, tanks, lorries and miscellaneous stores of every description. They also supply a great variety of articles for export and home consumption, and for both purposes they subcontract for materials, fittings and stores. To some extent it will be possible for them to contribute to the increased output required by extending their plant or workshop."

"But in the course of investigation it soon became apparent that, even for the purposes of the peace-time programme, the field would have to be extended to other firms not normally engaged in armament work, and at the same time it was clear that this extension would have to be to some extent assisted by the establishment of the organisation necessary to ensure rapid expansion of production in time of war."

"In connection with the approved programme for the Royal Air Force, steps are already being taken to extend the field of production by placing orders with firms who do not ordinarily manufacture for the Force or for civil aviation. The process of extension will have to be further enlarged to meet the programmes for the Navy and Army, but even so something more will be required."

RESERVE SOURCE OF SUPPLIES

"In order satisfactorily to provide for our needs both in peace and war, His Majesty's Government have decided to create a reserve source of supply which would be available in case of emergency."

"The method of procedure contemplated is to select a number of firms who do not normally make warlike stores but who are suitable for the purpose by reason of their experience and their possession of a skilled staff of engineers and workmen."

"Arrangements would then be made with these firms for the laying down of the necessary plant and machine for a given output of selected articles, and sufficient orders in peace time would be guaranteed to allow of the requisite training in the work of production."

"The particular circumstances will vary in connection with every firm and with different types of product. Wide elasticity of arrangements will therefore be provided for, but the underlying principle is that each selected firm, while maintaining and developing its normal civil trade, will agree to use its organisation and commercial structure to set up some measure of munition production and thus create the reserve source of supply."

SUPPLY OF SKILLED LABOUR

"There remain two other important features of the Government's plans for the organisation of production which must be mentioned. The first concerns the supply of skilled labour for which there will necessarily be a largely increased demand."

"In some of the skilled occupations there is already noticeable shortage of labour, and large and sudden demands are made upon labour supplies after a period of depression."

"It will be for the industries concerned, with such guidance as the Government can give, to make sure that vital processes are not held up for want of the necessary craftsmen."

WHAT EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN

"The second point concerns costs and prices. His Majesty's Government are determined that the needs of the nation shall not serve to pile up extravagant profits for those who are called upon to supply the war effort. They are confident that industry as a whole has no desire to exploit the situation, and, indeed, they have already received satisfactory assurances from the Federation of the British Industries of their readiness to collaborate."

"But when regular contractors are required to work nearly to their full capacity on Government orders, and when large numbers of firms are asked to undertake work which is new to them and which will have to be produced on equipment of which they have had no previous experience, the ordinary methods of contracting do not offer adequate safeguards for ensuring that prices bear their proper relation to actual costs."

"His Majesty's Government have given much time and thought to this matter, and they have been materially aided by the experience gained during

White Paper in Brief

I. REASONS

1. For many years necessary defence expenditure has been postponed in the hope of disarmament.
2. Britain, unlike other nations, cannot concentrate her forces in limited areas. She has calls to meet all over the world.
3. The Italo-Abyssinian dispute has shown that British interests in the Mediterranean and Red Sea could be safeguarded, but only at the cost of denuding other areas.
4. Our present weakness would prevent us from playing our due part in enforcing collective security.
5. Germany, France, Belgium, Italy, Russia, Japan, the United States, are all rearming.

II. PROGRAMME

(a) Navy

- 2 new battleships to be begun in 1937.
- Modernisation of existing battleships.
- Increase of cruisers to 70.
- 5 new cruisers in 1936 programme.
- Steady replacement of destroyers and submarines.
- New aircraft-carrier.
- Increase of men by 6,000 by March 31, 1937.
- "A considerable expansion" of the Fleet Air Arm.

(b) Air Force

- Last year's programme of 1,500 first-line aircraft increased to 1,750 for R.A.F.
- Larger real increase.
- 12 more squadrons for Empire defence.
- 4 more squadrons for co-operation with the Territorial Army.
- 2 more squadrons for co-operation with the Regular Army.
- Increased recruiting.
- Increased reserves in men and material.

(c) Army

- 4 new battalions of infantry.
- Reorganisation and re-equipment, especially of Field Artillery.
- Improvement of equipment and training of Territorial Army.
- Modernisation of coast defences.
- Reorganisation of anti-aircraft defences in South-East England.
- Improved housing.

III. CO-ORDINATION

The White Paper adds nothing to the statement of the Government's plans made by the Prime Minister on February 27.

IV. MOBILISATION OF INDUSTRY AND LABOUR

Industry to be organised so that it can rapidly change over from commercial to war production.

Extension and duplication of Government factories. Vulnerability and the needs of the Special Areas to be taken into account.

Orders to be given to firms not now making armaments, so that they will have the plant and skill available in time of war.

Steps to be taken to remedy shortage of skilled labour.

No extravagant profits.

Committees to be set up in each trade to control orders.

Control of prices by inspection of books, technical costings, etc.

V. FINANCE

No delay "by the over-elaboration of financial safeguards."

"Any attempt to estimate the total cost would be premature at this stage."

Service Estimates "Must In Future Be Larger"

the last few months by the Air Ministry working under conditions of exceptional pressure.

CONTRACTS WILL BE SUPERVISED

"On the one hand, it is important to retain the goodwill of industry, for in peace time firms cannot be compelled to undertake contracts on terms which they consider unreasonable."

"On the other hand, difficulties are bound to arise in dealing with so many and such various sources of supply, where there are not only contractors, but also sub-contractors and sub-sub-contractors concerned."

"There will be new problems where firms require financial assistance in order to lay down new plant and hold it at the Government's disposal, and these cases will be particularly urgent, since until they are met it will not be possible to make a start."

"It will be necessary also to co-ordinate the demands of the three Services so that proper priority shall be observed and competition between them, which might lead to higher prices, avoided."

"His Majesty's Government believe that all these difficulties can be overcome through the organisation they have in mind."

"As regards the principal contractors, contact will be made with them by the Service Departments, while in the case of sub-contractors in secondary or ancillary sections of organised industry, it is intended that communications shall pass through small committees to be appointed by the trade organisations themselves."

"Control to prevent excessive profits will be effectively exercised by inspection of books, adequate technical costings, audit on behalf of the State and arbitration in cases of dispute."

"The Government are satisfied that this can be done without im-

pairing the confidence and enterprise of contractors undertaking novel and difficult tasks.

"Co-ordination of Service requirements will be effected through the existing Principal Supply Officers Committee Organisation of the Committee of Imperial Defence, and the new Deputy Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence will as Chairman of this Committee be able to supervise the whole system of supply and correct any deficiencies that may be found to arise."

"Treasury control will, of course, be maintained throughout the whole field. It will be important, however, to see that the work is not delayed by the over-elaboration of financial safeguards, and new methods of procedure are being worked out which will ensure the effectiveness of financial control without impairing the continuity of progress."

"PREMATURE TO ESTIMATE COST"

"From what has already been said as to the necessary flexibility of this programme, and in view of the uncertainty which must exist as to the rate of progress possible over so large a field, it will be realised that any attempt to estimate the total cost of the measures described would be premature at this stage."

"The original estimates for the coming year, which will shortly be before the House, will themselves require to be supplemented by provision for further defence measures referred to in this Paper; those for the following years must necessarily be larger."

"In the absence of any scheme of general disarmament, it must be anticipated that the maintenance of maintenance for the recognised Services must remain on a higher level, and will in all likelihood substantially exceed the original estimates about to be submitted."

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

EVERY MAN'S LIFE LIES WITHIN THE PRESENT. FOR THE PAST IS SPENT AND DONE WITH, AND THE FUTURE IS UNCERTAIN. —Antony.

The American Mail Line President Mr. McKimley will arrive in Hongkong on Saturday, April 4, at 6 p.m. from Shanghai, Japan and Seattle, and is scheduled to sail from Hongkong for Manila at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was imposed by the District Court this morning on Chan Kau, 22, an ex-employee of the Dairy Farm Company, who pleaded guilty to the theft of two wooden buckets containing 100 bottles of milk in Des Voeux Road, Central, near Queen Victoria Street, while at the delivery office was upstairs. Detective Sergeant J. Shepherd stated that large quantities of this type had been frequent during the past month and the police had several complaints. Mr. C. F. Andrews, of the Dairy Farm, stated the defendant had been dismissed for laziness. They had had suspicion of him for quite a long time.

The Manila Observatory reports at 9.15 a.m. to-day that there is a typhoon in about 130 Long, 80 Lat., moving W.N.W.

Remanded yesterday to have his fingerprints taken, Li Yim, unemployed, was sentenced to two months' hard labour when he appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning for the theft of \$3.30 from the Ling, a new coat of the Colony. Sub-inspector Li stated there was no criminal record against defendant.

Nine months' hard labour was passed upon Chiu Cheung, 30, unemployed, when he admitted a breach of the Deportation Ordinance by returning to the Colony after he had been banished for ten years on October 23 last. He pleaded that he had come back to take his aged mother away as she was sick. Detective-Sergeant Ellis stated that defendant's mother was 75 years of age. Defendant admitted a previous conviction for the same offence. The man was dealt with by Mr. Macfadyen at the Hongkong Magistracy this morning.

GARCIA HERO ILL



Lieut. Col. Andrew S. Rowan, whose epic exploit at the outbreak of the Spanish-American War inspired Elbert Hubbard to write "A Message to Garcia" is seriously ill in his San Francisco home. In 1898 Rowan made a hazardous trip through Cuban war lines, contacted the Cuban military leader, and returned with information that hastened the end of the war.

VISITOR DIES IN HONGKONG

ON LEAVE FROM SINGAPORE

The death occurred at the War Memorial Hospital yesterday afternoon of Mr. Saul Isaac Saul, as a result of an attack of diabetes and heart trouble.

The late Mr. S. I. Saul was attached to the Government Offices in Singapore and had many years of service with the Indian and Singapore Governments. He was on local leave to Japan and on his way back to Singapore when he was taken off the Fushima Maru in Hongkong suffering from a serious attack. He entered the Hospital on Friday. He was very well known amongst the Jewish community and others, and leaves a wife and two daughters in Singapore and a son in England.

Observatory returns show that there was a drop in the temperature of 11 degrees from Sunday to Monday. At 4 p.m. on the former date, the temperature was 74, while on Monday, at the same time the figure was 63.

RADIO BROADCAST

A Talk by the Empire Programme Director

IMPERIAL AFFAIRS

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7.30 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.30 p.m. Excerpts from Grand Opera.

Arias—Willow Song ("Otello") (Verdi); Hall Mary, Full of Grace ("Otello") (Verdi); Elisabeth Bethberg (Soprano); Orchestra—"Manon" (Fantasia (Massenet); Arias—Weep Not, Lull ("Turandot") (Puccini); Nobody shall sleep ("Turandot") (Puccini); Alessandro Valente (Tenor); Orchestra—Die Fledermaus Selection (J. Strauss).

7.30-7.47 p.m. A Recital by Fritz Kreisler (Violin).

1. Londonerry Air (arr. Kreisler); 2. A May Breeze (Mendelssohn, arr. Kreisler); 3. Shepherd's Madrigal (Kreisler); 4. Gypsy Caprice (Kreisler).

7.47-8 p.m. Four Songs by Malcolm McEachern (Bass).

1. The Cobbler's Song from "Chu Chin Chow"; 2. I'm a Roamer (Mendelssohn); 3. Dorsetshire Cream and Cider (Sanderson); 4. Up from Somerset (Sanderson).

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.45 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Instrumental—I Cover the Waterfront... arranged for Eight Pianists; Vocal—It's Written all over my face; The Object of my affection... The Boswell Sisters; Castanets Solos—Serenata... La Argentina; Vocal—Where the arches used to be... Flanagan and Allen; Organ Solos—The Hills of the Moment... Sydney Torch; Vocal—Ida Sweet as Apple Cider... The Mills Brothers; Instrumental—Canadian Capers, Kitten on the Keys... The Six Keyboard Kings; Orchestra—Medley of Leslie Stuart's Songs.

8.45-9.15 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

8.45 p.m. "Your Programme from Daventry." A talk by the Empire Programme Director.

9 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-9.40 p.m. The New Mayfair Orchestra.

Selection—The Dubarry; Briscollia (Selection of British Melodies); Selection—The Cat and the Fiddle.

9.40-10 p.m. Songs by Dick Powell (Tenor).

1. The Words are in my heart; 2. Down Sunshine Lane; 3. Outside of you; 4. Lonely Gondolier; 5. Lullaby of Broadway; 6. I'm goin' shopping with you.

10 p.m. Big Ben.

10.15-11 p.m. Dance Music.

10.15-10.30 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

A Talk on "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodson.

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

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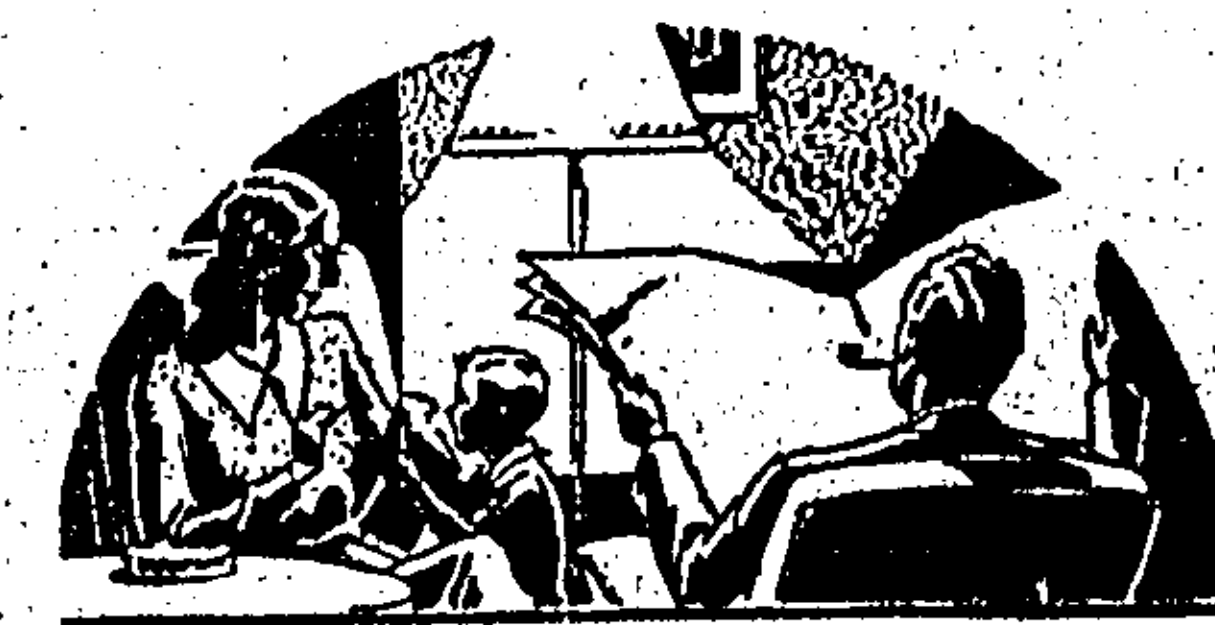
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TSUI BROTHERS DO IT: RUMJAHNS DEFEATED

YOUNG CHINESE COUPLE'S HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT

HOW K.C.C. WON THE CRICKET LEAGUE

McAVOY WANTS TO BE A "HEAVY"

Chance Against Petersen

When Jack McAvoy comes down to fight Jack Petersen at Earl's Court in April he will have the comforting moral support that no one in the north believes he can be beaten.

What is more, the backers of Petersen are just as hard to find in the south—apart from Wales, where, naturally, he is regarded in the same unshakable light as McAvoy.

Petersen has disappointed us often, but his form in his last fight with Harvey was definitely good. McAvoy has captured the imagination with his smashing wins in America. His admirers think there is nothing in boxing to-day to equal the power of his punching.

Maybe they are right. But Petersen's punch was just as famous not so long ago. He is still young enough to have kept it.

AN 8 LB MARGIN

McAvoy will be giving away weight and height but not to an extent that should make any difference.

That leaves a margin of 8 lbs.—not a vital amount to a man of McAvoy's calibre.

The one big difference is in reach—Petersen 80½ ins., McAvoy 73 ins. That 7½ ins. in favour of Petersen may be a big factor in the fight.

A GRAND BEGINNING

McAvoy's ambitions now are purely heavy-weight. In a cable message from New York, he said:—

"I have fought all the leading light-heavy-weights and middle-weights in England. I want more and better fights, so the only thing I can do is to take on heavy-weights."

"But I want to make my heavy-weight debut at home. Petersen is a grand beginning."

One report states that McAvoy is aiming at a fight with Joe Louis, the "Brown Bomber."

Well, he might be able to give half a stone to Petersen, but it is to be hoped he never takes the same risk with Louis. That would be tempting providence too much.

As a middle-weight he is supreme. As a light-heavy-weight he may win the British heavy-weight title, but as a serious contender for world heavy-weight honours he is not to be regarded in the same class as Louis.

NICHOLS AGAIN CHAMPION

WINS BADMINTON TITLE

R. C. F. Nichols regained the men's singles title at the All-England Badminton Championships at the Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster, when he beat R. M. White (Liverpool) who, like himself, had previously won it twice, in the final, 18-10, 17-10, 16-10.

Lack of regular tournament play had an adverse effect on White's game, in which his famous smash was little in evidence, but Nichols was clever, and he did not offer White much chance of a kill. Nichols might have won in two games, for in the net of 5 in the second game he led by 4-3.

The left-handed Miss Thelma Kingsbury won the women's singles championship for the first time by beating Mrs. H. S. Uber, holder, who was also rather short of singles practice, in the final, 6-11, 11-9, 11-2. In both the first and second games there was a sequence at one time of seven blank hands, and this proved that much of the play was defensive. Miss Kingsbury owed her victory more to her stamina and aerobic retrieving than to her stroke-play.

Men's Singles—R. C. F. Nichols (Middlesex) beat R. M. White (Lancashire) (holder), 18-10, 17-10, 16-10.

Women's Singles—Miss Thelma Kingsbury (Hampshire) beat Mrs. H. S. Uber (Sussex) (holder), 6-11, 11-9, 11-2.

Women's Doubles—Mrs. M. J. Henderson (Hampshire) and Miss T. Kingsbury (Hampshire) (holders) beat Mrs. H. S. Uber (Sussex) and Miss D. Davison (Somerset), 18-10, 6-15, 17-7.

Veterans' Doubles—B. G. Costello and C. P. Harrington (1) beat R. E. Marshall and R. G. E. John (2), 18-10, 16-11.

TSUI WAI-PUI SETS A NEW STANDARD OF VOLLEYING



TSUI WAI-PUI—He sparked.

VICTORY WAS MERITED

(By "Veritas")

Two brothers, playing inspired tennis, were yesterday responsible for the dethronement of Hongkong's doubles champions, S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn when they met on the stand court of the Cricket Club in the third round of the current championship. For eleven years the Rumjahns' cousins have reigned supreme and fate, indulging in a fanciful twist of irony decreed that they should yield their crown at the very time when, to all intents and purposes, opposition was at its weakest.

Everybody who has had the opportunity of studying the progress of the Tsui brothers appreciated that they were capable of giving the champions a hot game, but I think very few indeed would have been bold enough to envisage their dethroning the Rumjahns. It was, in the purest sense of that much maligned phrase, a brilliant victory, achieved on merits and the outcome of a tennis display which has not been surpassed in the Colony championships for many years.

E. D. Andrews would have enjoyed watching the match for he would have seen put into practice by Tsui Wai-pui the advice he gave Hongkong players four years ago when he emphasised the necessity for more aggressive volleying.

NEW CUT-OFF VOLLEY

Yesterday Tsui Wai-pui showed Hongkong how effective can be the cut-off volley made with the racket travelling forward. It was his ace shot and it scored consistently. Time and again it has been made very clear that to beat the Rumjahns from the net one must pull out a rafter volley. To the ordinary semi-defensive chop volley they can play all day and night and still come out on top; but in this match they were beaten by the sheer speed of the ball from the racket which found them caught on the wrong foot or gave them no chance of making an adequate return.

Another striking feature of the winners' display was their magnificent teamwork. The Rumjahns' understanding has always been recognised as a prominent feature in their play; they could give no pointers to the Tsui brothers, who, with but two exceptions, were always in the right place, and even when on the run to retrieve a lob, succeeded in making the correct return.

Chief individual honours must be accorded Tsui Wai-pui, whose generalship was only equalled by his daring and spectacular shots. Tsui exposed his whole repertoire of strokes, and rarely did he fail to make them point-winning. He was happiest and most effective from the forecourt from where he volleyed with beautiful precision and accuracy, varying this with perfectly timed lob volleys, chopped backhands from half court which made the ball go away from acute angles, and well disguised lobs which sent the Cousins scurrying back to the baselines.

Tsui Wai-pui also served with more than ordinary accuracy, his heavily topped first deliveries making more than usual pace. He has certainly never played better tennis in Hongkong.

JUST FOR A MOMENT—

One feels too that it is difficult to overstate the excellence of Tsui Wai-pui's performance. His big display (Continued on Page 9)

To-day's Tennis Programme

ANTI-CLIMAX HINTED

After yesterday's palpating tennis, today's programme at the Cricket Club hints an anti-climax. Nevertheless an attractive match is set down for the stand court, where the ever-green M. W. and M. K. Lo combination oppose Paul Kong and Lai Kwong-tsun, regarded in some quarters as important contenders for the doubles championship.

The winners enter the semi-final brackets in the top half of the draw, and despite the clever success of the Lo brothers in the previous round, indications are that Kong and Lai will fill the vacancy.

Kong appears to be playing somewhat better than he was twelve months ago, and Lai's astonishingly

Our Daily Golf Hint

You have to time a bit perfectly, when the swing will time itself.

—Grantland Rice.

good display against Liang and Kwok make this a very useful combination. On an outside court, Lee Wai-long and Luk Ding-cheung meet A. Crawford and S. A. Gray in a third round match. The Chinese look safe for a straight sets win, and at the worst they may concede a set.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

The programme for to-day is as follows:

Open Doubles—M. K. and M. W. Lo v. Paul Kong and Lai Kwong-tsun; Lee Wai-long and Luk Ding-cheung v. S. A. Gray and A. Crawford.

Club Championship—W. A. S. Grant v. G. Polglase; E. Bathurst v. D. M. Macdonald.

Handicap Singles—H. J. Armstrong v. M. Monaghan; G. E. R. Divett v. M. Peng.

Handicap Doubles—L. Forster and L. T. Rile v. A. C. I. Bowker and A. K. Mackenzie.

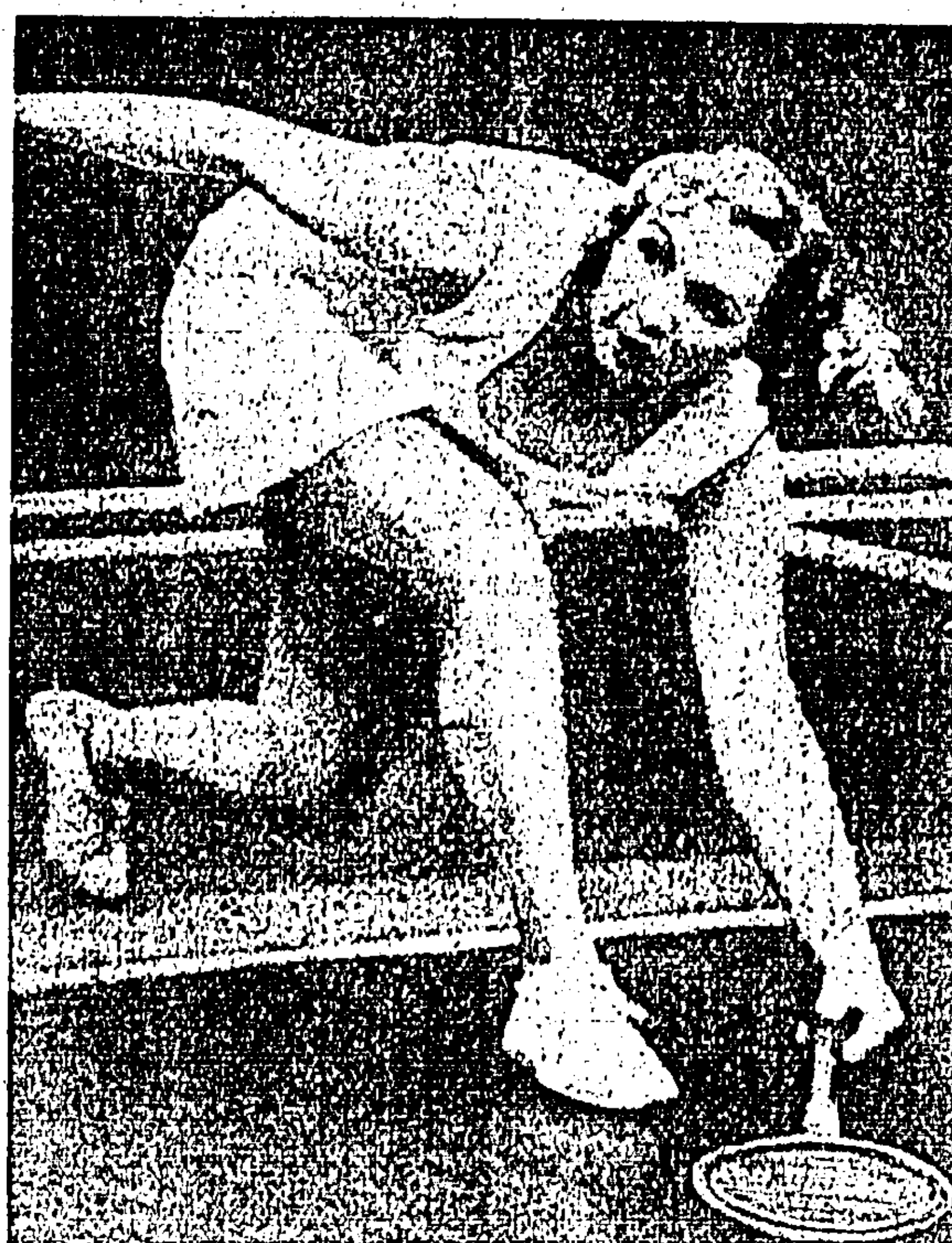
OFFER TO CHINESE DAVIS CUP TEAM

May Compete For Many National Titles

Gordon Lum told The Shanghai Times before he left for Europe with China's Davis Cup team that a cable had been received from the well-known British firm of Shaw-Walker offering to arrange for the participation of the Chinese team in tournaments throughout the Continent and the British Isles during their stay in the West, and it is believed that their offer will be accepted, as the company has also offered to take complete responsibility.

EUROPE CHAMPIONSHIP

In the event of Slazenger's offer being accepted, it is probable that the China team will participate in most of the National championships of Europe and the British Isles, both in lawn and hard-court, experience which should prove to be of even greater value than the tournaments in which the last Davis Cup team played during its stay in America.



Fine action study of Miss Thelma Kingsbury, caught by the camera while winning the All England badminton championship from Mrs. H. S. Uber.

TWO BADMINTON MATCHES IN THE ONE EVENING

RECREIO POLISHING OFF THEIR OUTSTANDING FIXTURES

Recreio "A" played two matches last evening in the badminton league, beating Sailors and Soldiers Home in the men's doubles by nine games to love and the S. and S. mixed team by the same margin.

St. Andrew's "A" also consolidated their position in the men's division by beating V.R.C. seven games to two. V.R.C. turned up one short and had to concede three games.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Played at King's Park, Recreio winning by nine games to love.

"A" beat G. Taylor and H. Heath 21-0; best H. Hall and M. Merritt 21-0. E. de Sousa and H. A. Alves (Recreio) beat Taylor and Heath 21-0; best Sprague and Brown 21-0; best Hall and Merritt 21-0.

"A" beat Taylor and Heath 21-0; best Sprague and Brown 21-0; best Hall and Merritt 21-0.

ST. ANDREW'S "A" v. V.R.C. Played at St. Andrew's Church Hall, the home team winning by seven games to two.

M. de Silva and S. A. Silva (St. Andrew's) beat C. Nolasco da Silva and S. A. Rumjahn 12-21; best C. C. Pereira and W. Fisher 21-0.

R. H. Wong and P. V. Wong (St. Andrew's) beat de Silva and Rumjahn 21-0; best Pereira and Fisher 21-0.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Eliot Hall "A"	20	10	1	128	16	38
Recreio "A"	18	17	1	112	23	34
"A"	19	15	4	106	34	30
C.R.C.	10	14	5	111	45	28
Eliot Hall "B"	17	12	5	83	43	22
Recreio "B"	15	10	5	73	44	20
"B"	18	10	8	73	39	16
Fito Brigade	19	8	11	66	93	10
V.R.C.	18	4	14	40	95	8
St. Andrew's	22	5	19	49	104	6

"B"

S. and S. Home 19 2 17 34 102 2

MIXED DOUBLES

At King's Park last night, Recreio "A" beat the Sailors and Soldiers' Home by 9 games to nil in the Mixed

ENGLISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

London, Mar. 30.

Two matches were played in the English football league to-day. In the second division Southampton and won by the only goal scored, while in the northern section of the third division Chesterfield, although on their own ground, could only play a goalless draw with Stockport—Reuter.

Doubles Division.

"A"	beat W. Sprague and Mrs. Sprague 21-0; best C. Taylor and Mrs. Edwards 21-0.
"B"	beat H. Hall and Mrs. Brown 21-0.
"C"	beat M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) 21-0; best Taylor and Edwards 21-0; best Hall and Brown 21-0.

League Table

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	14	13	1	81	18	26
C.R.C.	15	13	2	105	25	28
Fito Brigade	10	13	3	107	37	26
Recreio "B"	15	8	7	76	41	16
St. John's	14	7	7	64	62	14
St. Andrew's	14	6	8	48	78	12
Kowloon Tong	10	3	18	46	93	6
Talkoo	11	2	9	21	78	4
S. and S. Home	16	0	15	21	114	0

MACKAY'S BATTING WAS AMONG HIGHSPOTS OF MATCH

GOSANO BOWLED WELL BUT WITHOUT LUCK

(By R. Abbit)

Playing the right type of cricket, Kowloon Cricket Club swept on to a decisive and well merited victory against University on Saturday and thus won the Senior League shield. R. Abbit, the Colony's leading cricket commentator, who watched the match, gives the following special description.

Starting in a very humble way this season, the K.C.C. could have found plenty of people to lay them about seven to one against winning the Shield. Both the Army and the Club were fancied in some quarters while as usual the I.R.C. had many supporters. As we all know, until a fortnight ago the I.R.C. seemed to have the Shield in their pockets, but a surprise defeat by the University made all the difference.

The K.C.C. had been lucky to find their batsmen getting back to good form after some period of eclipse, while their great weakness as a team, their bowling, was helped enormously by the return of Frank Goodwin, their skipper, who always bowled steadily and sometimes brilliantly. S. V. Gittins, too, developed as a change bowler, getting many wickets with his slow off turn. And so, after an early draw and another one later against the I.R.C., they pulled off their five other matches to lead the Indians by one point and to win the Shield.

One of the keenest sides in the Colony, and one of the best balanced, they thoroughly deserve their success.

GOSANO WINS THE TOSS.

The first step in the contest at Pokfulam on Saturday was taken when Gosano won the toss and (as Goodwin had done in his place) sent his opponents in to bat. The game started at thirteen minutes past two—both sides were one short I gather—but in view of the remoteness of the ground this was not so bad.

Gosano bowled from the Pavilion end as usual and Ozorio shared the attack. The usual Kowloon pair opened and they stayed together for half an hour during which time they had put on 37 runs. Of these Lay had made 25 very nice ones and he got out in trying to force the pace, hitting across a straight one from Gosano.

Meantime Fincher had been in considerable difficulties at times with Gosano and was rather lucky not to be out on at least two occasions. Neither he, nor Mackay, who came in first wicket, seemed to be able to get the ball away and after 40 minutes play he had only scored 14 runs.

CHANGING THE BOWLING

After he had bowled for 45 minutes Ozorio was given a spell and P. Power relieved him—a mistake I think, as he was bowling much the same sort of stuff, only slower. As it turned out Blake, a left-hander, would have been a better change than Ozorio, could not be blamed as Blake, I understand, had not been able to play very much and there was no reason to assume he would bowl as usefully as he subsequently did.

However, easy though Power seemed, the batsmen did not seem to get him away, and it looked as if they ought to have batted a bit more, though the University side was very keen and saved no end of runs. Meanwhile Fincher did hit Gosano for two very nice fours running but off the next ball he must have been very nearly l.b.w.—the bowler and wicket keeper both appealing very confidently.

GOSANO OFF

After bowling an hour Gosano put on Ozorio in his own place and changed Blake for Power. The Varsity skipper had bowled very well, for at this period his figures were 11-1-23-11. Teddy Fincher had taken an hour over his first 20 runs. Ozorio however did not seem to take kindly to the Pavilion end and sent down several long hops which were well and truly hooked, chiefly by Mackay. Indeed from now on to a period about 20 minutes before they declared the Kowloon men got most of their runs from hooking and leg side play, and seemed singularly unwilling to hit the pitched-up ball. Unfortunately the Varsity bowlers got on to the short side about now.

FINCHER DISMISSED

Gosano soon resumed and at 87 Blake had Fincher l.b.w. for a steady 30. His brother succeeded him, and both batsmen now began to look out. Gosano went off again for Crevin leaving Blake to hold down the other end, which he did fairly successfully, though Ernie Fincher scored a most curious four to longstop from a ball which seemed to go under his bat, meeting at Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

A BRILLIANT CATCH

Next over the same player on-drove Ozorio tremendously hard, the ball never rising above shoulder height and yet reaching Power who was standing 25 yards at least very fine behind the bowler. He had no time to move to it but took a beautiful catch 'about the level of his boot-laces' (158-3-31).

"E.F." had played exactly the right sort of innings for his side, but I should mention that Mackay was also playing beautiful cricket, his hooking especially being delightful, while he seemed to have got over his earlier disinclination to jump in and drive.

Hung slashed at once and Tsui made a nice catch at deep mid-wicket off Blake who had reclaimed for Gosano. (100-4-17). At 4 p.m. with the score at 173 (one scoring book I thought had it down as 172.1) Goodwin declared. He was entirely right to do so. A draw was as bad as a loss, and though his bowling was not very strong, he had the knowledge that the Varsity had had a pretty tiring hour and three quarters on what was easily the hottest day we have had for months!

Incidentally of the big scorers Mackay (74 not out) hit thirteen fours, Ernie six and Teddy Fincher five. (Continued on Page 9)

Ice Hockey Protest Stops Match

U.S. TEAM'S SENSATION

London, March 5. A "bomb" was dropped into the British ice-hockey world last night when the American Olympic team refused to play an exhibition match against an all-star team from Empress Stadium, Earl's Court.

The game, arranged as a fund-raiser for the Canadian Amateur Ice Hockey Association, had been suspended by the Canadian Amateur Ice Hockey Association.

However, British ice-hockey authorities say that they have had no official indication of such suspensions.

Thousands of people who went to Empress Stadium last night to see what was expected to be one of the season's most exciting matches were greatly disappointed.

1,000 TURN AWAY

Special men were posted outside the Stadium announcing that the American team would not appear, but that another game had been substituted.

The crowd seemed to take the disappointment in good spirit, and about 3,000 paid their admission into the rink. Perhaps another thousand preferred to go elsewhere for their entertainment.

The four players whom the Americans claim have been suspended—Scotty McAlpine, Don Willson, Gar Preston, Howie Peterson.

PUZZLED

McAlpine, Peterson, and Willson are star players with the Earl's Court Rangers. Preston plays right wing for the Kensington Corinthians. The substitute game arranged was between these two teams.

Every one connected with ice hockey is mystified at the turn of events, because the American Olympic team played exhibition matches with all the British teams before they went to Germany to compete in the Olympic Games.

However, it is said that the Canadian Amateur Ice Hockey Association suspended a large number of Canadian players who are with English teams this winter at a special meeting at Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

PSYCHOLOGISTS SEEKING A CURE FOR "PUNCH-DRUNK" BOXERS

(By Trevor Wignall)

The very interesting news has reached me that the Psychological Department of Guy's Hospital are engaged in an inquiry into the present condition of boxers who have suffered either mentally or physically as the result of heavy punishment taken in the ring.

The research, which it is hoped will determine the neurological and psychological changes that have taken place, will probably occupy several months.

A number of well-known doctors are interested in the subject, but one of their troubles is that they cannot induce a sufficient number of men to subject themselves to examination.

I am, therefore, asked to state that the department will be very glad of any help that can be offered them.

I strongly recommend this course to those whose sight has been affected, and to those other who have fallen victims to the condition called punch-drunk.

It is quite possible they will be benefited, while there is the further likelihood that something will be discovered that will be of the greatest service to men who are fighting to-day.

A doctor mentioned to me yesterday that medical science is not even yet certain about the causes of knock-outs, or of the effects they produce. The spectacle of former pugilists who have lost their sight, or who haltingly walk on their heels, is a painful one, and the wonder to me is that an investigation was not conducted long ago.

I could mention the names of many who are in a sad condition as a consequence of the blows they received.

One of the most famous in the world has still to take constant treatment because of the state of his eyes: not so long ago he told me that they were worrying him almost to death.

The inquiry that is now being made is an important one, but difficulties will be created for it if a sufficient number of men do not offer themselves for examination.

One or two will not be nearly enough, but I am very hopeful that a score or more will communicate with the hospital without delay.

They will be doing good to themselves, and to others who will follow them.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP-DECIDING CRICKET MATCH FULLY DESCRIBED

FAST BOWLING BY ROBIN LEE

(Continued from Page 8.)

Gosano and Ozorio had a pretty thrilling time but worked very hard—the former was distinctly unlucky on several occasions early on—and Blake did his share of keeping the runs down. Indeed he had on paper the best analysis. I give the figures which are interesting:

	O	M	R	W
Gosano	17	1	61	1
Ozorio	14	1	69	1
Power	2	1	4	0
Blake	9	3	33	2

A BAD START

At 4.15 the Varsity set out to make 174 runs in two hours—by no means an impossible task on the small ground. It seemed vital to me that their first wicket should make a good stand to sandpaper the bowling down before Rido and Gosano got at it.

But to my surprise Rido and not Tata, accompanied Fong to the wicket. No doubt Gosano's idea was that with so many to get he could not afford to start with two slow batsmen but I think this was wrong. A bit of delay at the start is easier to make up for than to make up for a bad start, as the K.C.C. innings had shown. "He that believeth shall make haste," which is another way of saying that Rido is too impetuous a batsman to risk against the first freshness of the bowling if you can arrange otherwise.

Anyway, so it was. Robert Lee opened from the tennis courts and after Rido had glanced his first ball beautifully to leg for four, he sent down a maiden, from the last ball of which there was a resonant appeal for a catch at the wicket. I do not think however that Rido was very near it.

It was at once obvious that Lee was bowling much faster than he has done this season, and also that he seemed to like the matting. He had three slips, a backward point and a deep third man.

Goodwin bowled at the other end and for a time just ploughed away quietly, leaving things to Lee. In the latter's second over there was a dropped catch that might have lost the Shield as Fong nicked one to Smith at first slip. The catch was low down but it should have been caught.

However, as it turned out, it made little difference for Fong was quite at sea with R. Lee and was just hanging out his bat at them. Mackay took him smartly behind the sticks off the first ball of the third over.

Gosano very nearly gave a chance off his first ball but it pitched well short of Smith and shot off his shin for a single. And then off the last ball of the over came a tragedy! Rido had let three go past his off stump and the last was nearly a long hop—but no ball to hit so early on. He cut at it and gave Smith a chance to redeem himself, which was promptly accepted. (8-2-5).

This was just what I feared about Rido. He told me that he had no intention of playing at anything outside the off stump and short and that the shot was made automatically. I expect a lot of us know just what he means. It is the same impulse that makes us bang on five dollars just before the bell rings! And the pony never wins.

GOSANO BEATEN BY GOODWIN

Practically everything hinged now on Gosano, with his later batsmen. One felt that, could he keep up an end, anything might happen. But when only 17 runs had been scored he was out by Goodwin, amid cheers from the K.C.C. spectators!

I have never seen a clearer case of how little one can tell save from plumb behind the bowler's arm. Not only to me but to others it looked as if the ball had pitched close to the off stick and Gosano had pulled away to have more room to cut it; but the ball seemed to turn in and take the top of the sticks. Actually checking from both batsman and bowler, I found that the ball had pitched just clear of the leg stump and had come up from leg and taken the wicket.

Gosano's shot was a bad one—for had he moved his feet at all I should have thought it would have been into his wicket. But I must confess, frankly, shall we say—that I have never before suspected Goodwin of a leg break! However it was 17-3-0.

POWER AGAIN

The Varsity seemed to be done with but as a matter of fact though K.C.C. were never in serious danger of losing the decision there were several interesting innings played. Power who came in to bat seemed in no way perturbed by the situation, and after a couple of nice leg shots he cracked R. Lee to deep long on for four just to show that the University had their tails up still.

But disaster was to come at the other end. Goodwin sent down a loose full toss which Tata sent to the long-leg boundary with a one-handed shot that seemed to be entirely defensive! However three balls later he nicked one into the slips and Smith brought off a brilliant effort and securing it at the second—or possibly third—attempt. (25-4-4).

Next over Power made a very pretty cover drive off Lee but the next over he played on to Goodwin. It was bad luck as he seemed to get the ball pretty well in the middle of the bat, but it must have been spinning tremendously. 34-5-15.

TWO STANDS

Just about this time the K.C.C. attack seemed to slacken and at one or two periods they seemed to have rather jeopardized their chances of winning as Blake began to play a very good defensive knock, varied with one or two pretty leg hits. Ozorio also seemed at ease and saved first four byes and then a half volley straight at the K.C.C. captain who caught it—amid, I regret to say, both cheers and laughter. 50-6-11. B. K. Ng went at once, after four byes had come and one, after two wickets for no runs, but Lee put him past third man for four—rather an edged shot. Again a stand resulted.

Smith went on for Hung at 5.25 p.m. and did some uncommonly fine fielding to his own bowling, saving himself a straight drive that would have probably gone to the boundary at a rate of knots. And so for ten minutes the stand went on, and the K.C.C. supporters began to wonder.

However from their point of view all was to go well as when Lee re-joined Gittins Blake very unwisely—but very humanly—departed from his policy of stubborn resistance and hit over a fast yorker. 80-8-14.

And that was the end of it as R. Lee bowled Teul and got Isatt to give a sitter to Arthur Lay in the sixth over. And so K.C.C. won by eight runs after declaring with four wickets down. A well deserved victory.

THE HONOURS LIST

For K.C.C. Mackay's knock stood out above all others. At the present time I reckon him to be among the first half-dozen batsmen in the Colony. Goodwin kept a length all the time and Lee gave by far the best bowling performance that he has staged this year. He was bowling definitely fast stuff. Gittins did what he was expected to do, but I wish I was fifteen years younger and could go in to bat against him! Still he might get the decision!

For the University Gosano really had little chance. He had and always has had the brunt of the bowling on his shoulders and if he has to bowl first on a hot day it must make his batting deteriorate.

The four men who impressed me as being better than I had suspected were Power, Blake—both bat and ball—and Lee and Tata. The latter named is, I believe, one of the first fruits of the untiring zeal of the Rev. C. B. Sargent and J. L. Youngs, who in his third year, and hope that, if he goes down, he will keep up his cricket. He has distinct possibilities, but wants more general experience. This applies to the others of whom



Three greys and a brunette took the grandstand jump in perfect style first time round in the steepchase at Shanghai last week, presenting a magnificent sight. Sammy confirmed the opinion of the majority and came in a winner by half a length after a thrilling finish to one of the finest 'chase seen on the course for years.

Rumjahn Cousins Beaten In Spectacular Match

(Continued from Page 8.)

advantage was lack of experience and the possibility of his nerve falling him at the critical stage of such a critical match. Just for a moment in the final set when he made three terrible blunders to lose the match game on his brother's service, one suspected that he was going to crack up, but he came back with renewed confidence and ability to hold his own service in the eighth game and it was his wonderful overhead smash taken as he ran back—wards which proved the match-winning point.

Tau Yui-pui was less aggressive than his brother, but he was very reliable, particularly off the ground. His volleying was inclined to be defensive, but he often succeeded in finding a gap between the opposition to tuck the ball away for a valuable point. Only in his overhead work did Yui-pui show any signs of weakness. Invariably he took the ball a shade too late catching it too near the neck of his racket. Almost every time it meant an overhit ball.

Indubitably his best shot was return of service by which he made such delicate placements that the Rumjahns were forced into defensive volleys thereby paving the way for Teul Yui-pui's gorgeous interceptions.

WITH COLOURS FLYING

Of the losers one can say, (and salute them for it) that they went down to defeat with colours flying. They all pulled off a typical victory when they recovered from 1-4 to 3-4 in the final set. It came as no surprise to see them lose the first set, and when they had squared matters in the second one was naturally led to believe that they would make their customary burst of brilliance to carry the match.

And it was not for the want of trying that they failed. They lightened up their game tremendously only to meet with unexpected opposition and an array of strokes to which they had to cry bat.

There were dazzling bouts of volleying reminiscent of the stuff one sees in first class international tennis. The champions too used everything they knew in tactics, all Blake seems likely to do best, being a caddy-handed bowler as well as a good defensive bat.

The bowling figures were

	O	M	R	W
Lee	13	4	30	5
Goodwin	11	4	22	3
Hung	3	1	6	0
Gittins	5	3	12	2
Smith	3	2	2	0

I see I have written at such length that you will have to wait for the epic of the Civil Service until Friday.

ternately challenging the Tauis' invulnerability overhead, off the ground or on the volley. Sometimes Sirdar's raking forehand drive scored cut-right, but once it had lost its element of surprise and the Tau brothers had positioned themselves for it, they turned the shot into a winning volley.

While it is true the Rumjahns' general form was not entirely up to the mark, one must pay tribute to flashes of sparkling tennis from them both. It was these flashes plus the steady brilliance of the Tau brothers which makes the encounter rank as one of the finest ever seen on local courts.

Tauis were 100 per cent. worthy winners, but no champions could lose their crown more honourably than did the Rumjahns. The crowd had reason to feel grateful as well as excited for such an entertaining match.

THE RESULTS

The following are the results: Open Singles—E. C. Fincher beat Lee Hui-nok 6-1, 6-3; Paul Kong beat R. Blyth 6-0, 6-0. Open Doubles—Tau Yui-pui and Tau Yui-pui beat S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn 6-3, 5-7, 6-4. Consolations.

HOME FOOTBALL

English Soccer Team Against Scotland

London, March 30.

The English soccer team against Scotland at Wembley on April 4 will be as follows: Hibbs; Male, Haggood; Crayston, Barker, Bray; Crooks, Bowden, Cammell, Bastin and Brook.—*Reuter*.

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Jack Hare, snapped together with Jack Dempsey, when the American was heavyweight champion of the world.

JACK HARE IS BACK IN TOWN

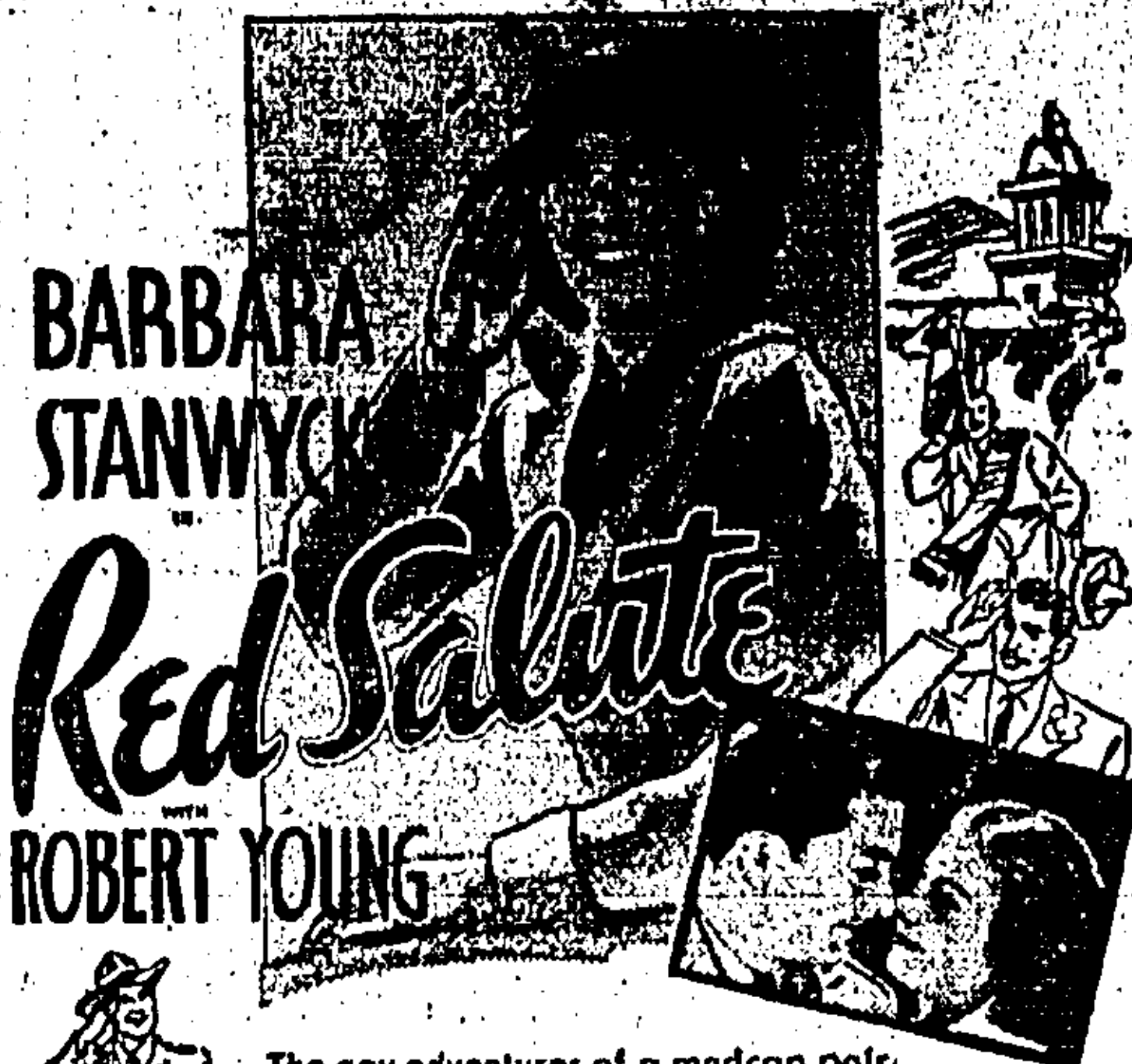
GLOBE-TROTTER AND BOXER

Jack ("Globe-trotting") Hare is back in town, but he's a wee bit and because he is making his last trip as renowned chief cook and flake trainer of the Troopship, Neutralla. The Neutralla is on her way home to be scrapped and Jack will take his palatable recipes and his intricate knowledge of leather-pushing to another ship.

In the meantime Jack is full of reminiscences. He can point to the fact that his is numbered among the few dutiful sons who, by stowing away on a ship at the age of 11, caused his father to lose his job as chief of the s.s. Erin. It was that experience which set Jack on a life of variety. He took up boxing and before he bade farewell to the resined ring, he had been through 340 scraps in five continents. Forty of them were under London Prize Ring rules which entailed bare knuckles.

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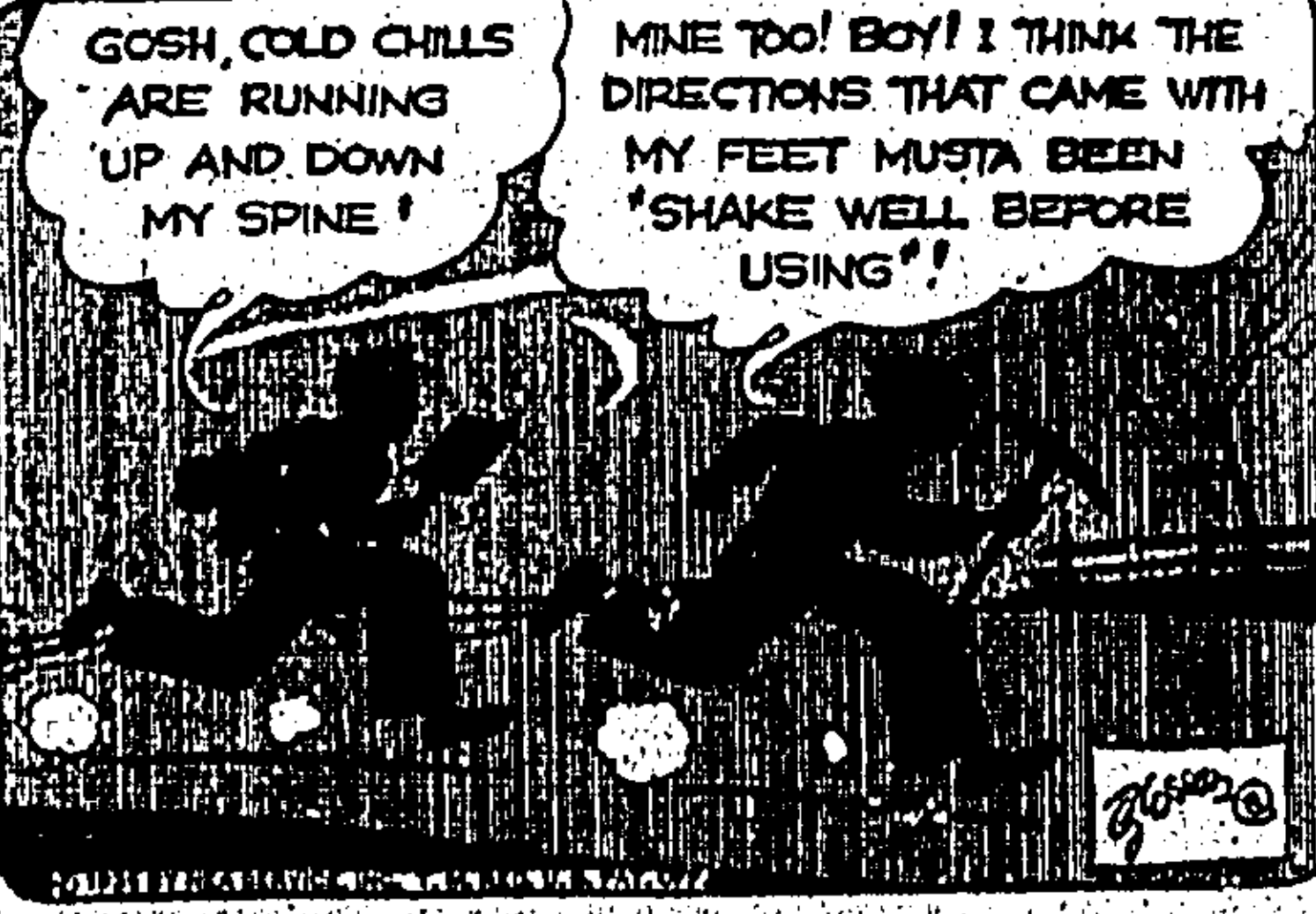
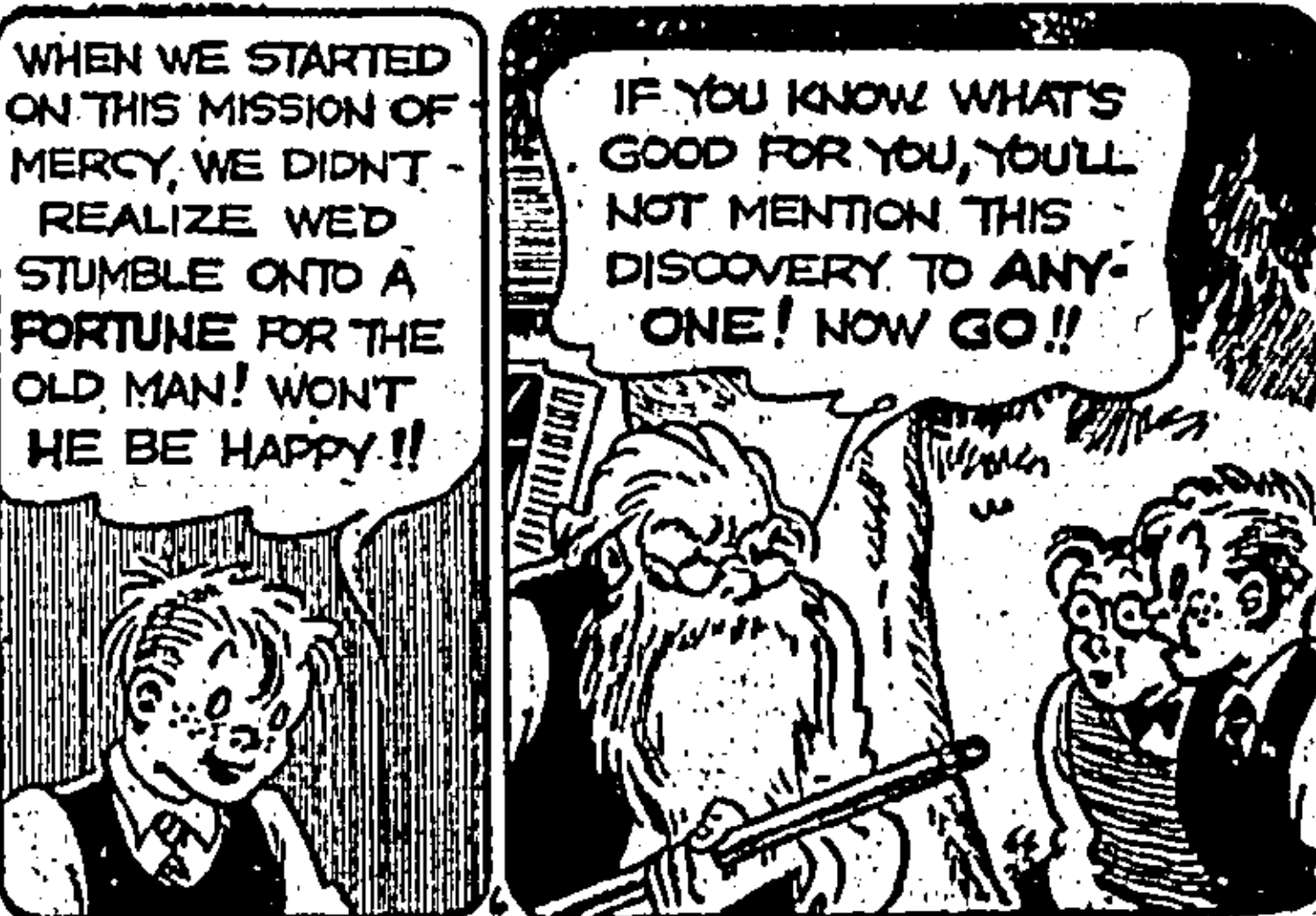
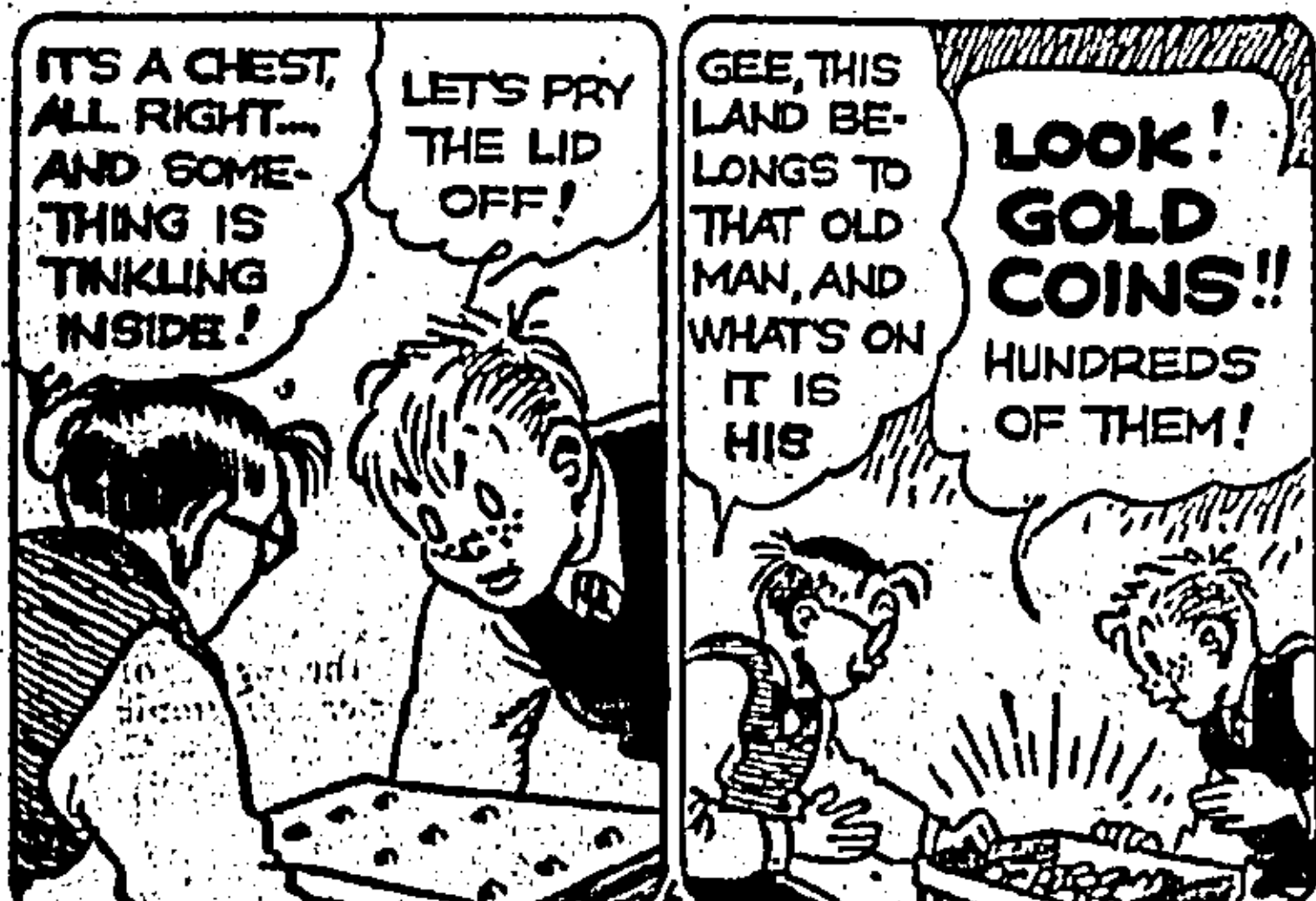
A sailor, we are told, has a girl in every port, but Jack Hare prefers to know that he has a leather-

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E/Canada	July 24	July 26	July 28	July 30	Aug. 1	Aug. 7	Aug. 12
E/Russia	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15		Aug. 24
E/Japan	Aug. 21	Aug. 23	Aug. 25	Aug. 27	Aug. 29	Sept. 3	Sept. 8
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"RECALLED TO LIFE"

CHAPTER I

Upon a foggy night in the year 1784 a lumbering coach, on the road from London to Dover, proceeded slowly up Shooter's Hill. The passengers trudged alongside the vehicle, stumbling and floundering in the mud as much as did the weary horses whose heads drooped almost to the ground. Joe, the guard, panted and grunted as he pushed against the back of the coach. The driver cracked his whip and shouted encouragement to the animals. "So-ho! Get up there! One more pull!" He wiped the sweat from his forehead. "I say, Joe, what o'clock is it?" "Eleven," responded the guard. "And not up to the top of Shooter's Hill yet! So-ho! Get up with you!" Again he whipped the leader of the team and the Dover Mall joggled on uphill. The dismounted passengers squashed along in the mud, slipping whenever the coach did, it fearful of getting very far away from it in the heavy mist. At the sudden pounding of horse's hoofs in the road behind them, they huddled close together. The driver jumped upon his box and levelled his pistol, ready for the appearance of the still invisible enemy, for none had other thought but that the rider, approaching at a gallop, was a highwayman. The guard raced backward, his blunderbuss levelled, and cried: "Gentlemen in the King's name, on your guard!" Several of the men had drawn pistols when the newcomer, having dismounted, walked towards them, muffled to the eyes. "Dover Mall!" he shouted. "Are you the Dover Mail?" "Never mind what we are," responded the guard. "What are you?" "I'm a messenger from Tellson's Bank." "Stand where you are! No nearer!" commanded Joe. "I want Mr. Jarvis Lorry," said the muffled man. "Have a message for 'im from 'is bank." One of the passengers detached himself from the group and started towards the speaker. "Here I am. Is that Jerry Cruncher?" "Yes, Mr. Lorry," replied the man and started to advance. "Stop!" cried Joe. "Keep where you are! I'm a devil at a quick mistake—and it usually takes the form of lead." "That's all right, guard, I know the man," said Mr. Lorry, a florid-faced elderly man. "Then stop aside. Speak to him if you must, but don't let him come nearer. You never know in these days." When he was within a few paces of the man, Lorry demanded: "What's the message, Jerry?" "It's this. Wait at the Royal George for 'man's sake. Recalled to life!" "Ah, she's at Dover—then! Give this reply to the office: 'Recalled to life!'" "Recalled to life," repeated Jerry Cruncher. "Very good, sir." The messenger returned to his horse, and Lorry to the waiting coach. Driver, guard and passengers relaxed from their tension only when they heard the retreating hoofbeats of Cruncher's mount. Mr. Lorry sat at a table before the fireplace in the Royal George Tavern at Dover eating fish with great precision when the waiter advanced to his table and announced: "This young lady you expect, sir, Miss Manette, is here, sir." "Good. Business—strictly business," said Lorry explosively at the smile on the waiter's face. "Of course, sir," agreed that individual, still smiling. "I'm from Tellson's Bank in London, and it is business!" He nodded emphatically at the man in his distress at being misunderstood. He despatched the rest of his meal quickly, left the dining room and made his way up the creaking staircase to a door on the second floor. He paused in some perturbation, then knocked. In response to a girlish voice from within, he pushed the door open. The room was heavy, dark and gloomy, lighted by two candles between which stood a young girl of seventeen. Her limpid golden brown eyes, the quick intelligence of her face, pronounced her French. "I—ahem—I'm Mr. Jarvis Lorry, of Tellson's Bank. Your humble servant, Miss Manette. She courted my hand for his kiss." "I received a letter from the bank, sir," said the girl, seating herself, gesturing that he was to do likewise. "Informing me that some intelligence—some discovery—"

"Quite, quite, Miss Manette. The work is immaterial." The girl looked at Lorry closely. "Are you quite a stranger to me, sir?" "I am a man of business, day no more attention to me than I if I were a speaking machine." "But I know you. I am sure that I know you." "You were a little girl, I was instrumental in bringing you and your mother over to England. Business, you know—no romance." "That was many years ago." "I speak, Miss, of that time. The business we have in hand relates to your father, Dr. Manette." "You know him before he died?" "Yes. He was a client of Tellson and Company's Paris Bank. I am an arm of that bank. That is how you must regard me." "Mr. Lorry, what have you come to tell me?" "You are in a manner of speaking a ward of Tellson & Company—my ward. I have always handled your financial affairs for the bank. Now let us suppose your father had not died—don't be frightened, child!—Please don't keep me in suspense, Mr. Lorry. What is it?" "If, instead of dying, your father had suddenly and silently disappeared—if he had an enemy who caused him to be imprisoned—"

"With a startled cry, Miss Manette rose from her chair, then knelt before him, greatly agitated. "Mr. Lorry, do tell me! I entreat you!" "No, don't kneel!" cried the gentleman, thoroughly distressed. "In heaven's name, why should you kneel to me?" "For the truth! Oh, dear, good, compassionate sir, for the truth! Is my father alive?" "Yes. But you must expect to find him greatly changed—a wreck it is probable, though we will hope for the best." "Oh, my poor father. Where is he?" "Now you know the best, and the worst. You will see the poor, wronged gentleman, and with a fair sea voyage to France, and a fair land voyage to Paris. Miss Manette, what is the matter?" The girl was prostrate on the floor in a faint. As Mr. Lorry looked about helplessly, wondering what to do, a strange female figure burst into the room. She was all of a red colour; her hair was red, her extraordinary, tight-fitting costume was red; on her head was a wonderful bonnet, resembling a grenadier's shako. She laid a brawny hand upon Mr. Lorry's chest and sent him flying against the nearest wall. "What have you been doing to my ladybird?" "You took a fine manner of doing it!" She addressed herself to her mistress. "My precious, my bird! It's me, your Prissy!" She looked up at Mr. Lorry anger still staining her face. "Look what you have done to her! Coughin' you tell her what you had to without frightening her so?" "I tried to break it to her as gently as I could." "Gently? Call this gently! My darling pretty! Prissy is with you now, and no one can harm you." Under her ministrations, Lucie rose, recovered and sat up. "Manette, poor recovered and sat up. "I'm all right," she said faintly, got to her feet and faced Mr. Lorry. "Where is my father?" "He has been in prison in the Bastille for eighteen years."

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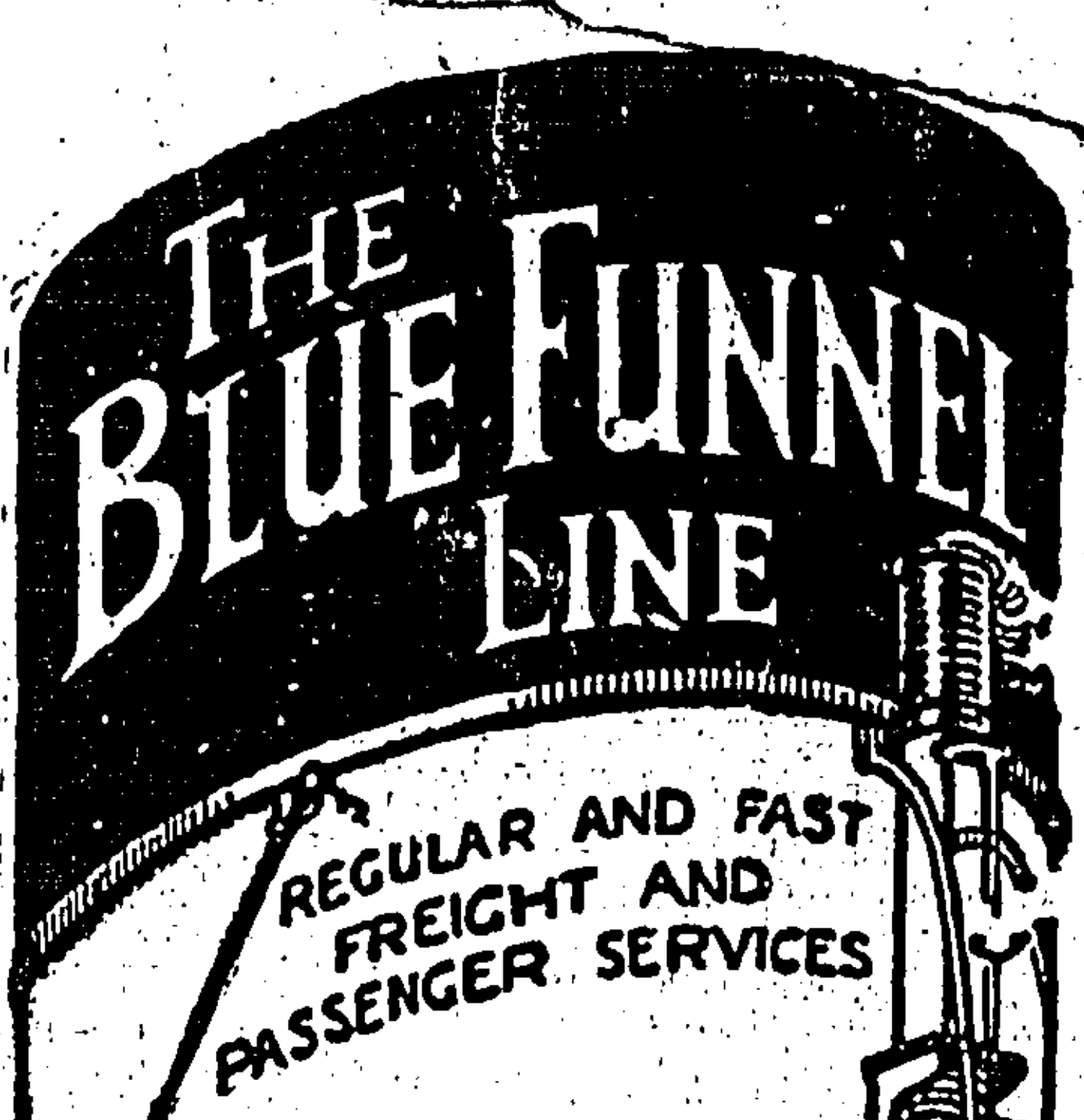
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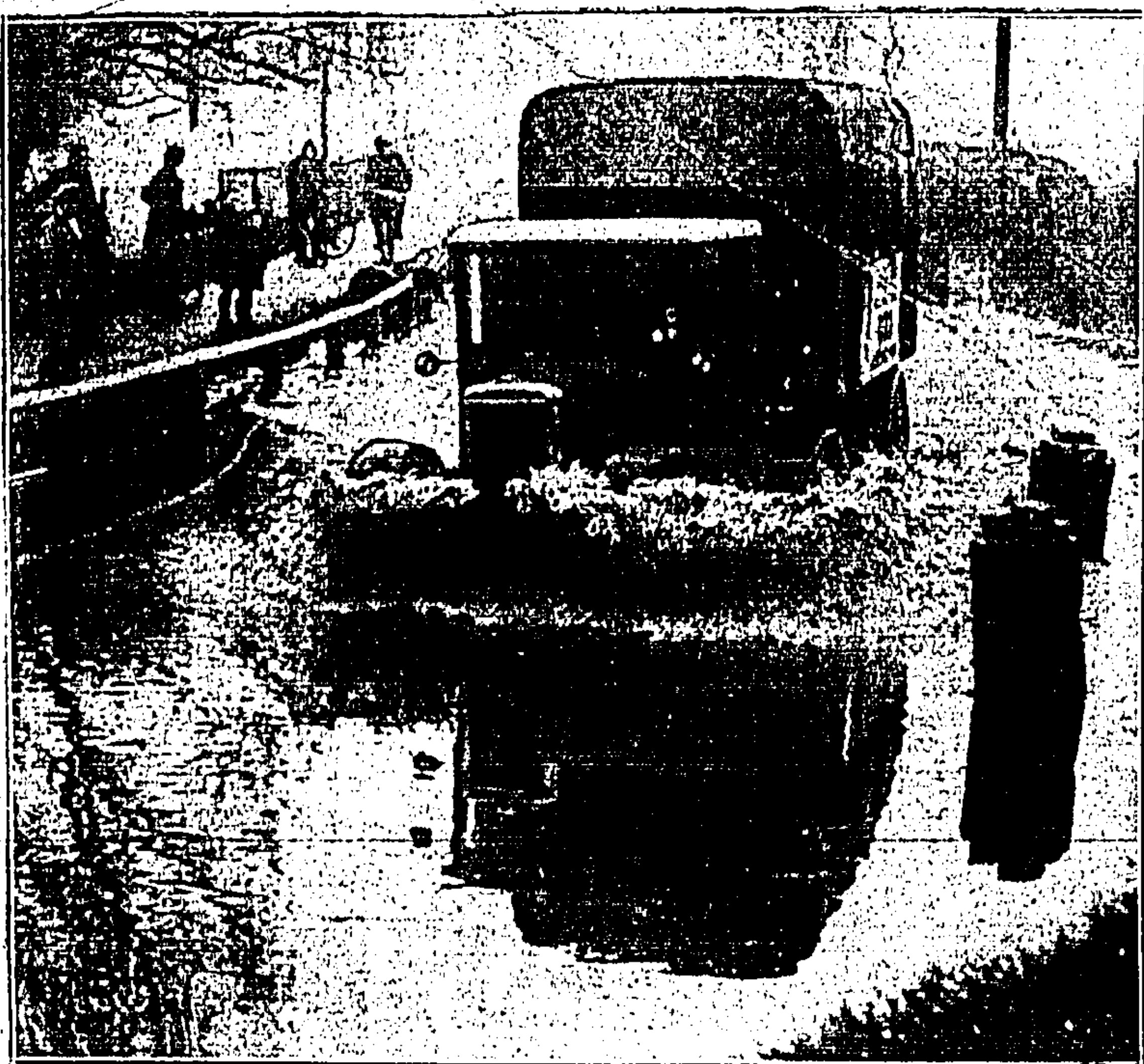
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ADVANCE GUARD: MOUNT EVEREST ATTEMPT



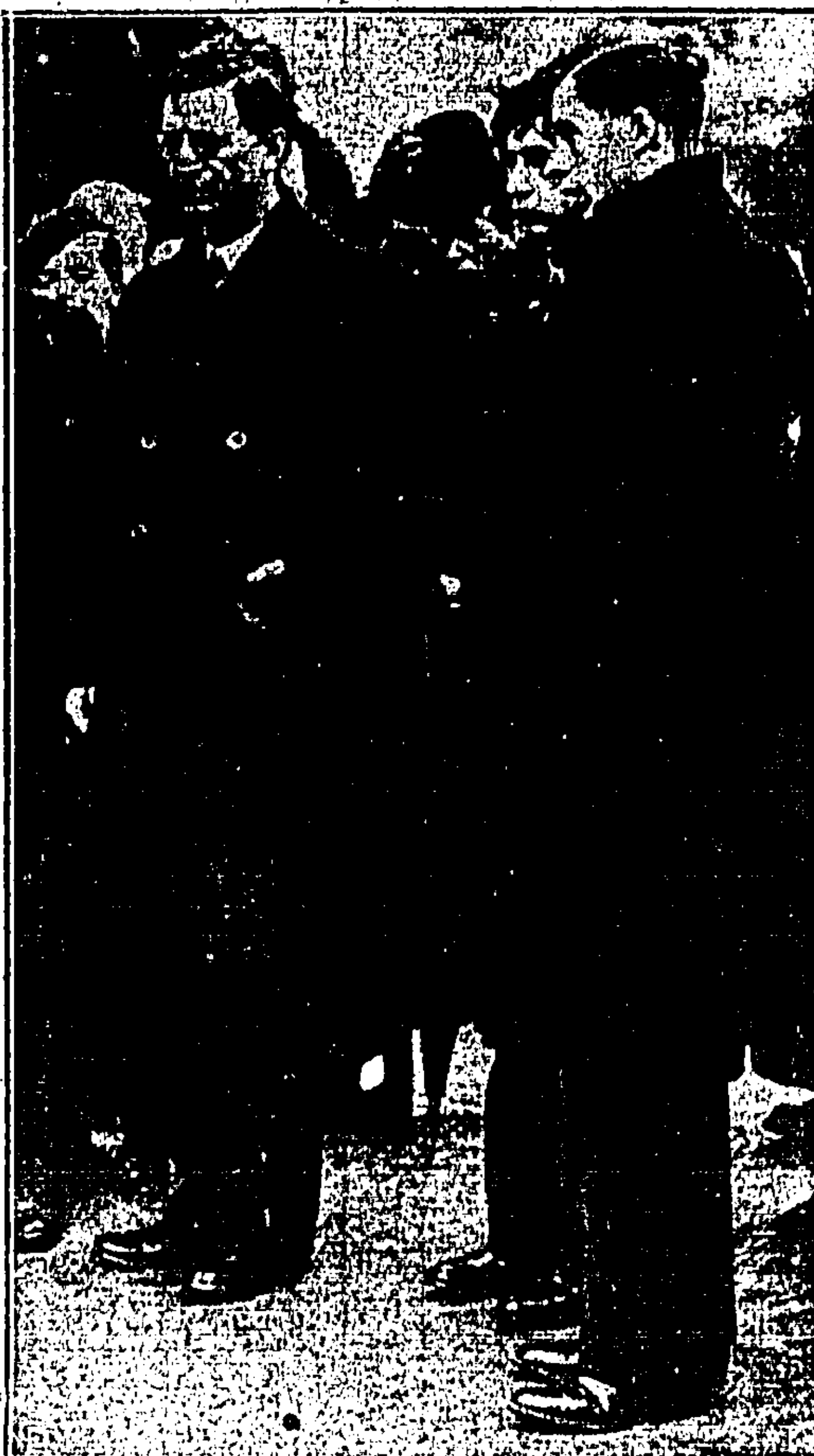
The advance guard of a new expedition (the fifth) to unconquered Mount Everest, has arrived in India en route to Tibet, to prepare for the conquest of the world's tallest mountain. The members of the party are, LEFT TO RIGHT, Dr. and Mrs. Noel Humphreys, Hugh Rutledge, leader of the expedition, and J. M. D. Gavin of the Royal Engineers.

ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE SWEEPED BY FLOODS



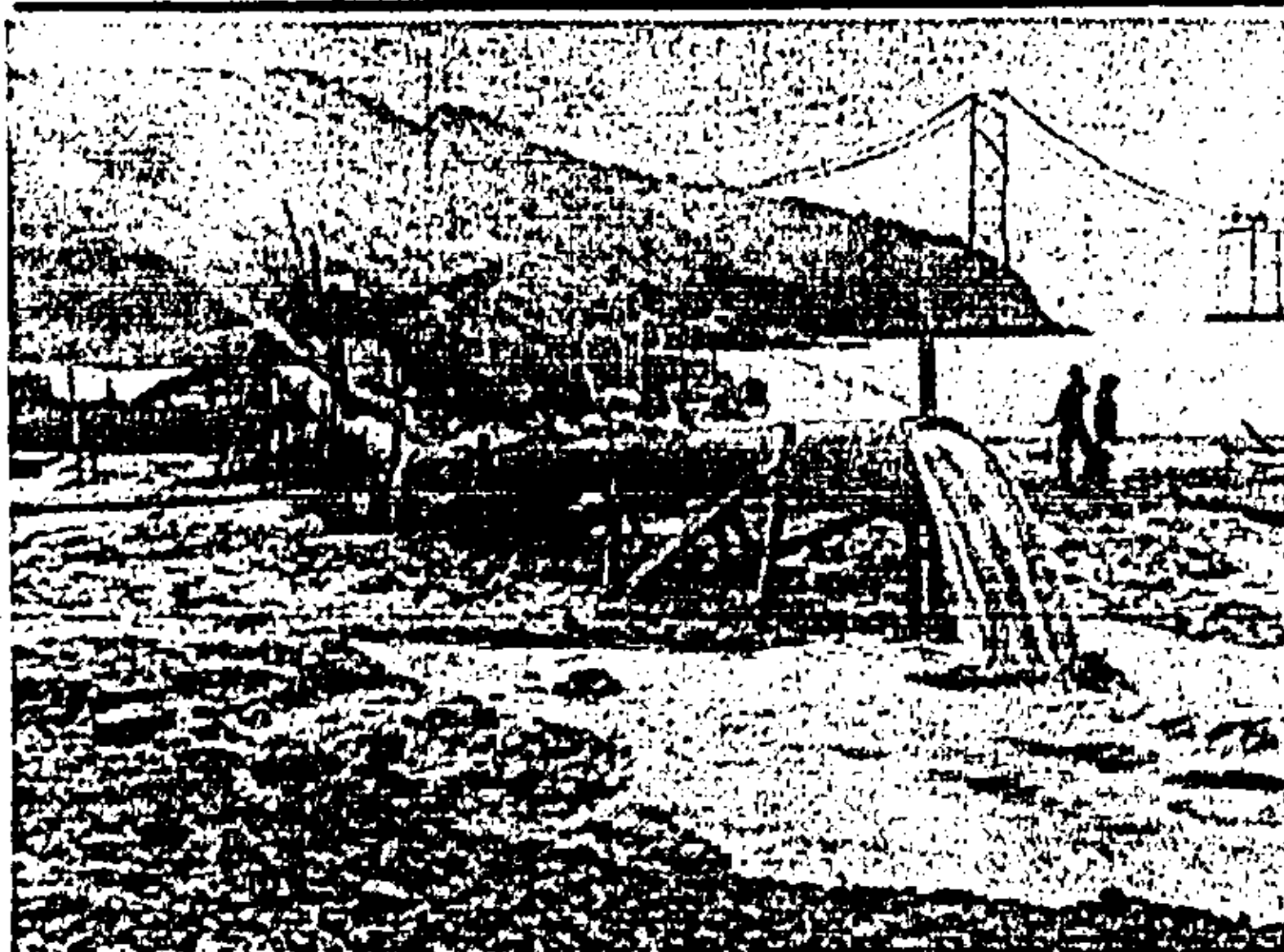
Canada and the United States are not the only countries to be hit by storms. Here is a picture from England, showing how roads near Perivale, Middlesex, are flooded as the River Brent overflows its banks. Storms lashed the British Isles and most of Europe.

DE VALERA MOURNS SON



Eamon de Valera, President of the Irish Free State, stands with bare head as the body of his third son, Brian 20, is lowered into the grave at Dublin. The boy had died of a fractured skull when his head struck the bow of a tree while he was riding in Phoenix Park. Standing to the right are two others of De Valera's sons.

WORLD'S FAIR ARISING



You now gaze on the site of the San Francisco Bay World Fair which will be held in 1939, celebrating completion of the world's two largest bridges. The site is a 365-acre shoal area off Yerba Buena Island, in San Francisco Bay, which is to be filled in by dredging.



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